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STAR FERRY CO. REPORT

EARNINGS FOR YEAR TOTAL
\$447,600

DIVIDEND AND BONUS

The report of the Directors of the Star Ferry Company, Limited, for presentation to shareholders at the 32nd ordinary yearly meeting to be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, February 14, at 11 a.m., states:—

The Directors have the pleasure to submit to shareholders their report, with a statement of accounts, for the twelve months ended December 31, 1929.

The net earnings of the boats, after paying all working expenses, amount to \$447,649.75.

The amount at credit of Profit and Loss Account, after transferring \$50,000 to Reserve Fund, \$40,000 to Contingency Account, paying for repairs, allowing for Directors' and auditors' fees, and depreciation, including \$40,038.34 brought forward, is \$354,487.03 which, with the approval of shareholders, it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

To pay a Dividend of \$2 per share \$160,000.00
To pay a Bonus of \$2 per share 160,000.00
To carry forward 34,487.03

Directors

During the year, Mr. A. S. Gubbay joined the Board but subsequently resigned, and Mr. H. H. Priestley was invited to take his place.

Mr. T. G. Weall and Mr. C. Gordon Mackie also resigned during the year, and Mr. J. P. Warren and Mr. M. T. Johnson filled the vacancies. Since the end of the year, Mr. Johnson resigned and Mr. Mackie rejoined on his return to the Colony.

Mr. A. H. Compton retires according to the Articles of Association, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Auditor

The accounts have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., who offers himself for re-election.

NO NEGLIGENCE

After examining the lever on the railway engine at the Hung-hom shed, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith and the Coroner's jury yesterday resumed the inquiry into the death of a Chinese officer who was killed by being crushed between the engine and a carriage.

On completion of evidence, the jury, without retiring, returned a verdict of death by misadventure, and intimated that they found there was no negligence in the case.

ABERDEEN WATER SUPPLY

The Government is inviting tenders for the Aberdeen Valley Scheme, Pipe Line Transport Trench Cutting and Tunnel Conduit.

The works consist of cutting trenches for 18 inch diameter and 21 inch diameter steel pipes, stringing the necessary pipes alongside, and the construction of a short concrete-lined open cut and tunnel conduit through Sandy Bay Gap.

IN BANKRUPTCY

The following is extracted from the Government Gazette:—

Re S. L. Kwok and Company and Kwok Sze-loi, Kwan Yuen and Tsui Keng-poh, partners therein of No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central (6th floor).

The above-named S. L. Kwok and Company and Kwok Sze-loi, Kwan Yuen and Tsui Keng-poh, partners therein were adjudged bankrupt on January 27, 1930.

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The following notice, taken from the London Gazette of December 20, is published for general information in the Government Gazette:—

In pursuance of the powers given under section 20 sub-section 5 of "The Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914," His Majesty by and with the advice of His Privy Council ordered that the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, should be suspended from the operation until January 1, 1931.

CANTON STEAMER ON FIRE

ABLAZE WHILST IN DOCK FOR
OVERHAUL

SMALL DAMAGE DONE

A fire which at first threatened to do serious damage broke out on board the Canton boat Fatsan early this morning. The vessel was in the Taikoo Dock for her annual overhaul, and the origin of the outbreak is not known.

A call was sent to the Central Fire Station at 3.49 a.m. and in response three appliances and a fire-boat were despatched to the scene.

On arrival it was found that the fore-peak of the Fatsan was ablaze.

The fire-boat at once played two hoses on the flame, and, assisted by the appliances on shore, the fire was eventually subdued at 4.23 a.m.

NOTE ISSUES

Official Monthly
Returns

TOTAL OF \$89 MILLIONS

The returns of the average amount of banknotes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended January 31, 1930, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks is as follows:—

Banks	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$10,797,342	\$7,800,000
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	67,870,087	45,500,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.	2,170,252	800,000
Total	\$89,837,681	\$54,100,000

In addition Sterling Securities are deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,275,500.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$2,918,700.

§ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$180,000.

The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):—

Security	Amount	Latest market price
5 1/4% Treasury Bonds repayable at 100 in 1930	\$150,000	99 1/2—100

BANQUET FRACAS

Brazilian Vice-President
Wounded

Rio de Janeiro, Yesterday. A violent political quarrel occurred at a banquet at Montes Claros, in the State of Minas Gerais, which was attended by the Vice-President, Mr. F. Mello Vianna.

It culminated in five persons being killed, including the Vice-President's Secretary.

Fifteen were wounded, including Dr. Mello Vianna.—Reuter's American Service.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE

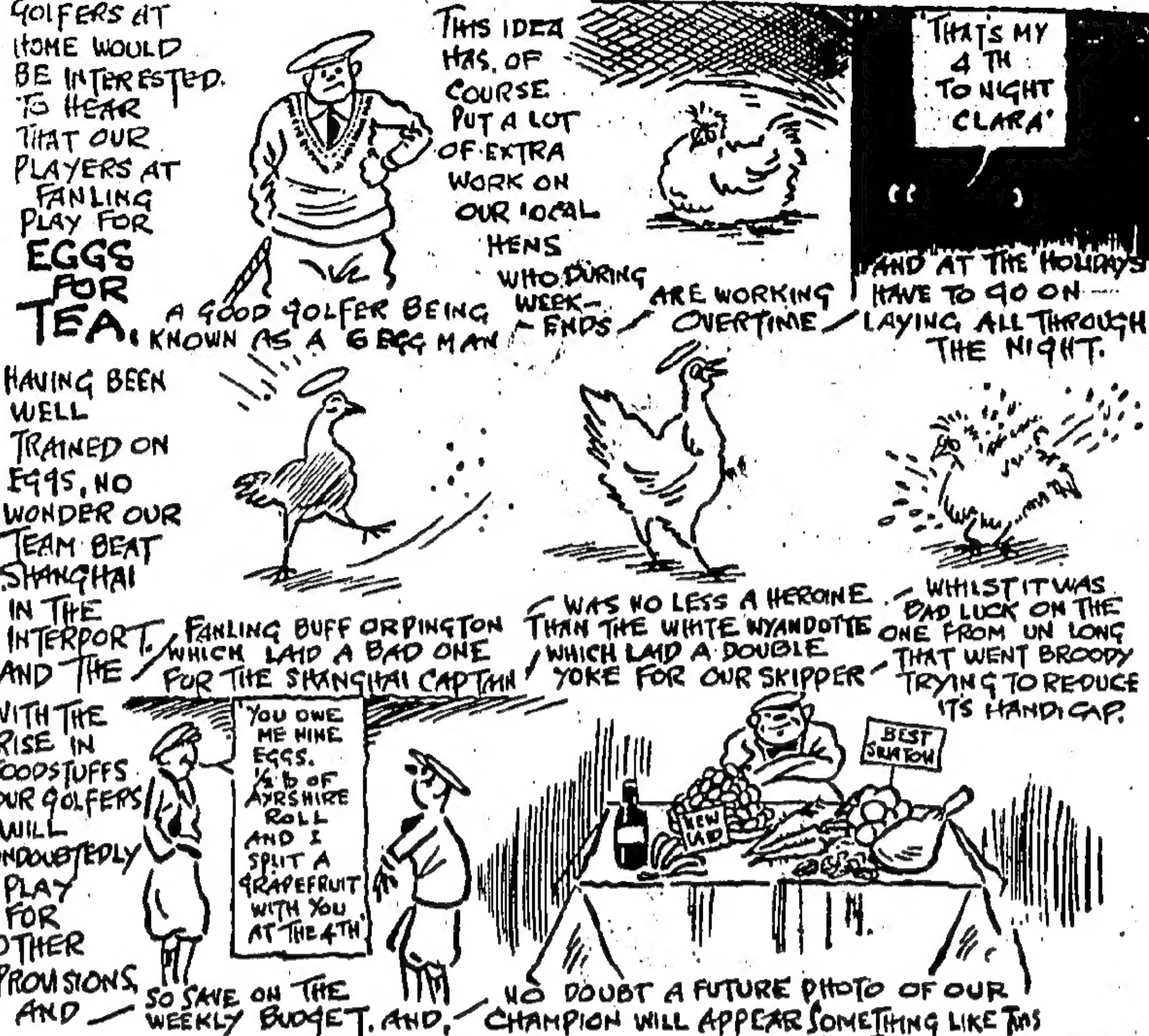
On Friday, February 14, Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.N.A., will give a lecture under the auspices of the University Engineering Society at 8.30 p.m. in the main building of the University entitled "The Evolution of Ships and their method of Propulsion."

GOODYEAR TYRE CO.

New York, Yesterday. It is learned on the highest authority that the Goodyear Tyre Rubber Company has passed into the hands of the Edmonstone Company of Cleveland, who recently concluded a gigantic deal merger.—Reuter's American Service.

A Suffolk farm labourer was charged with the murder of a woman, who was found dead in a wood near Lord Playfair's Rectory, Suffolk, on February 4.

Our "Hard Boiled" Golfers



DRUG TRAFFIC

Plans for Control of
Distribution

CENTRAL OFFICE

Geneva, Yesterday.

A concrete world-wide plan to check the drug traffic has been drawn up by a special Committee of the Opium Commission presided over by Sir Malcolm Delevingne and unanimously adopted by the Commission.

It recommends fixation of the total annual quantity of drugs manufacturable, and the division thereof among producing countries.

It lays down that drugs shall be so distributed as to ensure that they shall be used exclusively for medical and scientific needs. It provides for the creation of a central Office for the control of distribution.—Reuter.

LEAP INTO HARBOUR

A Chinese named Leung Chung-fu (23), living at 46, Temple Street, Yau-mat, was alleged to have attempted suicide at 10.30 p.m., yesterday by jumping into the harbour at the Yau-mat typhoon shelter. He was rescued by a boat man named Leung Yau, and the Police removed him to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from the effects of immersion.

IS IT YOURS?

A paragraph in this morning's Police reports states:—A sum of money, in notes, found in the City of Victoria during the last few days, has been handed over to the Police. Any person who has a rightful claim to any money that has been lost should make application in writing, giving full details of their loss, to the Director, C.I.D., Police Headquarters.

\$500 BAIL ESTREATED

Ng Shim (28), a married woman, who was charged with the unlawful possession of 13.5 taels of raw opium and two taels of non-Government prepared opium at 358, Shanghai Street, failed to make her appearance at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning and subsequently her bail of \$500 became estreated.

FELL DOWNSTAIRS

As the result of accidentally falling down the stairs of his house, a Chinese named Lam Ping (16), living on the first floor of 58, First Street, West Point, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital at 11 p.m., yesterday suffering from head injuries.

WARRANT FOR AN A.B.

On information given by the Naval authorities, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of A.B. Harold Edwards, of H.M.S. Sunol, who had been absent from his ship since February 4.

OUR NAVAL POLICY

AN AGREEMENT BY
CATEGORIES

CRUISER NEEDS

THE ABOLITION OF

SUBMARINES

Bugby, Yesterday.

The policy of the British Government at the Naval Conference is set forth in an important memorandum which is being laid in the House Commons, a summary of which was issued this afternoon.

In it the belief is expressed that the Conference ought not only to reduce existing fleets and building programmes, but also to end Naval competition, thus marking an im-

portant step toward the firm est-

ablishment of peace.

British policy, it is pointed out, is to keep the seas open for trade and communication and, in relation to the political state of the world to take what steps are necessary to secure this.

League Obligations. In estimating the Naval needs the British Government has also to take into account its obligations under the League Covenant and other commitments which have to be fulfilled in relation to the present state of the world. The Government feels that if naval establishments are not to be a menace the equilibrium must be maintained by means of international agreements. It feels, moreover, that this equilibrium will not be secured by mere numerical equality in ships and tonnage, but only by the adoption of agreed programmes based on considerations of requirements affecting dispersals, etc., and in which the menace will be reduced as much as possible.

This cannot be done by any general formula or ratio. It must be the subject of conferences and of agreements made for periods, at the end of which they should be reviewed, and during which the Government should be enabled to strengthen the foundations of peace. It is therefore proposed that the general agreement resulting from the 1923 conference should run until 1928, and then in 1928 further

conferences should be called to review the situation in relation to world relations. In view of these considerations British Government suggest the following proposals:—

Agreements Defined. The agreement should be not only upon global tonnage, but upon the size of individual ships in various categories and upon the tonnage used by each nation in each of these categories.

The categories should be capital ships, aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, and submarines. An agreement by categories is necessary to eliminate competitive building and the maintenance of the equilibrium between fleets. These two points are essential if security is to be obtained. It is not only the total tonnage of a fleet which counts, but the use to which these tons are put, and an agreement on the latter point is called for.

At the same time it might be convenient to allow a percentage of tonnage assigned to different categories to be transferred to other categories. The British Government, however, does not favour a general transfer, and is opposed to the transfer in capital ships, aircraft carriers, and submarines. In regard to cruisers, it would permit the transfer out of the eight-inch class into the six-inch class on a percentage which remains to be arranged, thus taking into account the special needs of countries which require a large proportion of small cruisers.

Capital Ships. The Government proposes that the number of capital ships for each signatory fixed by the Washington Treaty should be reached within eighteen months of the ratification of the treaty resulting from this conference, instead of by 1936.

It proposes that no replacement of existing ships should take place before the next conference in 1935 and that, in the meantime, the whole question of capital ships should be the subject of negotiation between the Powers concerned.

The Government will press for a reduction without disturbing the Washington equilibrium. Its experts favour a reduction in size from 35,000 tons to 25,000 tons, and of guns from 16 inches to 12 inches. They also favour the lengthening of the age from 20 to 25 years.

The Government hopes that there will be an exchange of views on this subject during the conference. Indeed, it would wish to see an agreement by which battleships will in due time disappear, as it considers them a very doubtful asset.

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SEARCH FOR OIL

Views of Australian
Minister

Canberra, Yesterday.

Referring to oil boring the Federal Minister for Home Affairs says that most of the investigation work in mandated territory has produced negative results. He suggested that more favourable structures existed near Dutch New Guinea, where the conditions are less difficult and the probability of success stronger.—Reuter.

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INSTONE BANKING CORPORATION

DIVIDEND FOR SECURED
BONDHOLDERS

UNSECURED CREDITORS

The Government Gazette contains the following announcement in respect of the Instone Banking Corporation, Limited (in liquidation):—

Secured Bondholders. Admitted claims, \$4,404.72.

A first and final dividend of \$100 per cent. has been declared in respect of the above claims.

Unsecured Creditors. Admitted claims, \$66,581.78. A first dividend of \$4 per cent. has been declared in respect of unsecured claims.

The above mentioned dividends may be received at the Official Receiver's Office on February 17 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and on any subsequent day during the office hours.

Creditors applying for payment must produce any bonds, bills of exchange, or other securities held by them, and must sign a receipt in the prescribed form.

RUBBER PLANS

British and Dutch
Agreement

TO CURTAIL PRODUCTION

London, Yesterday.

The Rubber Growers' Association announce that a British-Dutch liaison committee have reached an agreement on certain recommendations which will be submitted for approval to their respective Associations.

According to the newspapers the recommendations aim at a moderate curtailment of production in order to raise the market price of rubber to a reasonably remunerative level.—Reuter.

SUPPRESSION OF REDS

Namching, Thursday.

A portion of the 2nd Route Army under Brigadier General Tang Yun-shan and Colonel Chan have been despatched to Kiangsi Province to assist in the suppression of the Reds under the two notorious leaders Chu and Mo. The reinforcements are subject to the direct control of General Lu To-ping, the Chairman of Kiangsi, who will shortly proceed to the western border, personally to direct the suppression.—Canton News Agency.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR CANTON

Shanghai, Thursday. It is reported that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will lead three whole divisions to Canton, eight vessels being chartered from Shanghai to Nanjing for the transport of troops. According to the latest information, some of the vessels carrying the troops, left Nanking yesterday for the South.—Canton News Agency.

FATAL MINE EXPLOSION

Salt Lake City, Yesterday. At least twenty miners have been killed as the result of an explosion in a coal mine at Standageville.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. BANK RATES

Washington, Yesterday. The Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago has reduced its rate to 4 per cent. and in Cleveland to 4 1/2 per cent.—Reuter's American Service.

PURCHASES FROM U.S.A.

Washington, Yesterday. European countries last year purchased a milliard dollars worth more goods from America than they sold to her.—Reuter's American Service.

Playing cricket as it was played before the war would add to its attractiveness, and should secure increased support. Our players in Northants have been taught in the right school, and we should not tolerate men staying at the wickets all day playing for their averages.—G. H. Drummond, an ex-captain of Northants.

Tommy Milligan would have beaten Mickey Walker had he been properly handled. He had Walker going in the second round. But Len Harvey has never shown the aggressive attack of Milligan.—John Fearless.

Snooker is gaining in favour. This is not surprising for it is more straightforward than billiards and has more variety.—Joe Davis.

ITALIAN CONSUL-GENERAL

The King's Exchequer empowering Commendatore Emilio Manfredi to act as Consul-General for Italy at Hong Kong has received the signature of His Majesty the King, accordingly, the said Commendatore Emilio Manfredi is the duly recognized Consul-General for Italy at Hong Kong.

CHINA ORDER IN COUNCIL

PAYMENT OF FEES AND
PENALTIES

NEW ARTICLE GAZETTED

The following notice which appeared in the London Gazette of December 20, is published for general information in the Government Gazette.

Article 227 of "The China Order in Council, 1925," is hereby repealed and the following article shall be substituted therefor:—

"All fees, fines, penalties, and other sums of money which, under the provisions of this Order or any Regulations, or Rules of Court, are stated or imposed in terms of British currency, shall, at the option of the Registrar, be paid either in British gold or in any silver dollar currency in use in China which may from time to time be specified by His Majesty's Minister at Peking, at a uniform rate of exchange, applicable to all such silver dollar currencies, which shall be fixed from time to time for this purpose by His Majesty's Minister at Peking but shall not exceed as a maximum the rate of two shillings for one dollar.

"For the purposes of the ascertainment of the value of any income for any purpose of qualification or of any limitation or security, in any case where this Order or any Rule or Regulation contains a reference to British currency, the rate of exchange of ten dollars to the pound sterling shall apply."

The present Order shall be cited as the China (Amendment) Order in Council, 1929, and shall take effect on January 1, 1930.

UNCLAIMED BALANCES

It is notified in the Government Gazette that the following sums will be transferred from the Companies Liquidation account to the general revenue of the Colony:—

A. Wing (deceased), return of capital in Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., \$501.15, plus interest \$52.80.

J. Francis (deceased), return of capital in Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., \$200.46 plus interest, \$21.18.

John Somerville, broker, unclaimed dividend in the Hong Kong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd., \$16.59 plus interest \$1.75.

WELCOME FOR PRESIDENT

Canton, Yesterday. Under the auspices of local organizations, the military, the official classes, and the Whampoa Cadet School, preparation on a grand scale to welcome President Chiang Kai-shek upon his arrival at Canton is said to be under way. It is suggested that C. I. C. General Chan Chai-long may come down personally to greet President Chiang.—Canton News Agency.

APPOINTMENTS

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Sydney Ashworth to be an Assistant Government Marine Surveyor (Engine Surveyor), Harbour Department, with effect from January 27.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Dudley Leonard King to be Deputy Superintendent of the Police (Reserve) on his return from leave, with effect from February 7.

ASSAULT CASE

On a charge of assaulting a married Chinese woman at Shanghai Street, Wong Wai-fung was at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning remanded till Monday morning, when Mr. J. M. Remedios, it was intimated, will appear for the prosecution.

Bail was allowed in the sum of \$25.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Jan. 23, June, June,

	1930.	1918.	1914.
Poultry			

			Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
鴨	鴨	lb.	62	80	81
all	"	"	54	28	30
age	"	"	60	28	30
egg	"	"	40	22	21
fresh	"	"	22	22	21
(fresh)	"	per doz.	84	18	—
non	"	"	36	25	20
anton	"	lb.	62	36	24
hohow	"	"	48	35	24
beck	"	"	38	24	24
du	"	each	50	80	—
sh	"	"	30	28	—
ok	"	lb.	75	—	—
u	"	"	60	61	45
sh	"	"	25	—	—
sh	"	pair	1.70	—	—
sh	"	each	25	—	—
sh	"	"	90	—	—

ride's)	黑山香葱	"	5	4	—
.....	楊桃	"	—	12	—
.....	椰子	each	13	10	10
ina	檸檬	lb.	10	25	30

american) 金山檸檬	each	13	8	—
led 荔枝干	lb.	85	25	30
(anton) ... 新會甜橙	"	14	—	—
..... 橙	"	13	—	15
(ton) 沙梨	"	16	—	—
..... 花生	"	13	10	12
, Large 紅柿	"	—	12	—
..... 大梨	"	5	8	—

m	暹羅柚	each	14	12	8
.....	合桃	lb.	18	—	16
.....	菩提子	„	45	—	—

vegetables, &c.

.....	鴨	each	10	—	2
ut	芽	"	5	—	7
g	宜	"	—	8	—
.....	紅	"	10	—	—
sh	苦	"	6	24	—
en	瓜	"	10	5	8


Chinese	紅芥	瓜菜	"	8	5	8
(hangshai)	椰	"	"	8	—	—
bunch	椰	"	"	10	12	—
(Large)	大椰菜	each	"	18	—	—
(Medium)	中椰菜	"	"	14	—	—
(Small)	細椰菜	"	"	10	8	8
	金銀菜	lb.	"	6	5	6
ness	美椒	"	"	8	10	6
ed	辣菜	"	"	25	25	5
ed	辣菜	"	"	15	10	10
ed	辣菜	"	"	10	8	12

Englab.	木料	10	8	—
.....	木料	10	2	—
.....	木料	10	6	6
.....	木料	8	7	—
.....	木料	10	10	—
Shanghai	木料	30	8	4

菜猪	生	11	8	10	—
Meats		11	8	—	8
Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	11	10	—	8
Fresh	鮮草	11	—	—	8
		11	—	1	10
Hay	洋草	11	8	8	8
	生	11	6	4	6
ghai	上海菜	11	6	6	—
	芥菜	11	16	60	8
		11	5	2	—

inese	日本真仔	4	8	—
frican	金山山仔	5	8	—
.....	金多瓜	5	4	4
.....	紅草堂仔	5	—	—
resh)	大干菜	15	—	10
.....	意頭菜	10	—	8
.....	寬葉菜	8	8	—
.....	茄菜	12	4	—
.....	辛菜	6	7	—
iti (Lone)	菜	6	6	—

Arrow.....	西 洋 菜	"	8	4	—
.....		"	8	6	—
Root	麵	"	5	15	—



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ENGLISH GIRL sailing with her family in Macedonia on March 10th would like to get in touch with lady who needs help on voyage with children.—Apply Telephone Kowloon 1399.

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A GODOWN at Whitfield Road consisting about 2,500 sq. ft. next to Kwong Sang Hong Glass Factory. Please apply to Kwong Sang Hong, Ltd.

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FOR SALE.—Banjo. "Clifford Essex" G. Genuine Autographed Model. Unused. Original Nichols painting on Valium. Cost \$125. Sell \$80 or offer, with Case and Tutor. Apply Box No. 937, c/o "China Mail."

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Camb. Teachers' Diploma).
MISS GERTRUDE TURNER
(National Froebel Higher
Certificate).

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS
AND SURVEYORS.

Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
WEDNESDAY, February 12, 1930,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at No. 13, Broadwood Road
"Ridge House".

A Quantity of
VALUABLE BLACKWOOD
and HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
(particulars from Catalogues.)
On View from Tuesday, February 11, 1930.
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, February 6, 1930.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
FRIDAY, February 14, 1930,
commencing at 10.30 a.m.
at No. 460, The Peak,
Barker Road.

A Large Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
PROPERTY

Comprising:—
Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield
Couch and Armchairs, Glass
Cabinet, Teak Pedestals, Statues,
Card Table, Brass Ornaments,
Pictures, Curtains, Carpets, Brass
Fenders, etc.
Teak Dining Table, Sideboard,
Dinner Wagon, Tables, Desk,
Screens, Community Plate Cutlery,
Crockery, Glass Ware, Ceiling
and Table Fans, Electric Fittings,
etc.

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February, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the Re-
port of the Board of Directors
together with a Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ending 31st
December, 1929.

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Corporation will be CLOSED from
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By Order of the Board of
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Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1930.

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INQUEST ON MR. JESSE
WILTSHIRE

VERDICT OF THE JURY

A verdict of suicide whilst tem-
porarily insane was the verdict
returned by the Coroner's Jury
which together with Mr. E. W.
Hamilton held an inquiry yester-
day afternoon into the death of
Mr. Jesse Wiltshire, head bailiff
of the Supreme Court.

The jury was composed as fol-
low:—Messrs. J. S. Smith (fore-
man), J. M. Norrie and A. K.
Dimond.

Dr. T. W. Ware said that on
January 19, the date of Mr.
Wiltshire's death, he was medical
officer in charge of the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital. Mr. Wiltshire
was brought into the receiving
room at about 11 a.m. He was
unconscious and suffering from a
bullet wound in the head.

Witness had him taken into the
operating theatre to see if some-
thing might be done to relieve
him. On examination, he thought
that there was a possibility of
saving his life, so, with Professor
Digby's assistance, he prepared to
perform an immediate operation,
but before the operation was
started Mr. Wiltshire died.

Result of Post Mortem
The following morning witness
held a post mortem examination
and found that Mr. Wiltshire had
a bullet wound through his head.
The point of entry was in the re-
gion of the right temple and the
exit was on the opposite side, but
on a rather higher level. At the
entry wound an important blood
vessel was damaged and the
bullet's passage through the brain
had caused considerable damage.
Death was due to shock and
loss of blood following the gun-
shot wound. Witness was of the
opinion that the wound was caused
by a revolver bullet the size of
which he would place at about
32.

Speaking of the general phys-
ical condition, Dr. Ware said that
the liver was enlarged and fatty,
but the other organs were healthy.
Replying to the Coroner, wit-
ness said that he had treated Mr.
Wiltshire on two or three occa-
sions during the last two years
for minor complaints. As a doc-
tor, witness did know that Mr.
Wiltshire took much drink. He
had been drinking heavily, particu-
larly during the last few
months.

Had Not Taken Food
The doctor added that the
stomach was empty, showing that
Mr. Wiltshire had not taken food
for a considerable time, and wit-
ness was of the opinion that he
had been drinking quite recently.
The wound was consistent with it
being self-inflicted.

Dr. Alexander Cannon was the
next witness. He said that he
had been tending Mr. Wiltshire
for the past three years. He was
always called in by the family.
As a rule the trouble with him
was that he was drunk. He had
never been violent in witness's
presence, and when in this state
Mr. Wiltshire was not responsible
for his action.

Childish at Times
Police evidence of the discovery
of the tragedy was then taken.
Amongst the witnesses was Detec-
tive Inspector Reynolds who said
that he had known Mr. Wiltshire
for 20 years and he had always
appeared liable to be unbalanced
when he drank. He could not
stand even a small amount of
alcohol. At other times he was
childish but otherwise quite cap-
able of carrying out his duties.
The Coroner remarked to the
jury that it was a matter of be-
ing on the border line.

Worried Over His Work
Mr. Reynolds added that he
found that everything was all
right at Mr. Wiltshire's office, but
he knew that he had worried over
his work. His desks both at the
office and at home were searched
but nothing was found to indicate
that he contemplated suicide.

Mrs. Wiltshire said that in 1905
her husband suffered from sun-
stroke and since then had not
been normal. He always worried
about his work and that caused
him to take more drink than food.
He was never responsible when in
drink, and during the last few
years he got worse. During the
last three months he had suffered
badly with a septic hand, but al-
ways refused to see a doctor.

He was very conscientious about
his work and on one occasion wor-
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office and he did so. During those
two weeks he did not sleep or eat
well.

At 2 a.m., on the day of his death
Mr. Wiltshire was unusually bad,
but more stupid than violent. How-
ever, witness was nervous with
the worries of the previous two
weeks and sent her daughter for
Police protection. Sergt. McHarty
came and stayed at the house until
morning. At about 8 a.m., Mr.
Wiltshire improved to the extent of
drinking a cup of tea. Then wit-
ness told him that Dr. Cannon was
coming later.

His reply was that he would not
be examined by any doctor. With
this he put on his overcoat and hat
and walked out of the house. Wit-
ness never saw him alive after that.

LABOUR CONDITIONS IN AMERICA

WAGES HIGHER BUT WORKERS
LEAST SECURE

ECONOMIC EMERGENCIES

Declaring that the American
worker is "least secure of all the
workers on earth against the
emergencies of economic life," Mr.
Abraham Epstein, executive secret-
ary of the American Association for
Old Age Security, urged the
prompt enactment of an
old-age pension bill by the 1930
State Legislature. Mr. Epstein,
Bishop Francis J. McConnell, presi-
dent of the association, and a mem-
ber of the State commission study-
ing pension legislation, and Louis
Waldman, former Socialist As-
semblyman, spoke at the luncheon
of the city chapter of the League
for Industrial Democracy at Hotel
Woodstock on West Forty-third
Street. Mrs. Florence Kelly pre-
sided.

Old age pension legislation is not
a panacea for all social ills and
can be considered only a beginning
in the direction of full social in-
surance, Mr. Epstein said. He
pointed out that the bill sponsored
by the association would aid be-
tween 40,000 and 50,000 aged per-
sons in the State. He estimated
that about 75,000 persons are in
need of aid.

High Standard
"Wages are higher in the United
States than in European countries,"
he said, "but out of his wages the
American workman is forced not
only to maintain a high standard
of living and to buy all the goods
he possibly can in order to promote
and maintain industrial prosperity,
but must pay exorbitant sums for
health provision and save against
unemployment and old age."

"Most industrial countries pro-
vide full wages for the workman
who is disabled by accidents. In
this country the best workmen's
compensation law, that of this State,
makes provision for a maximum
payment of \$25 weekly, obviously an
inadequate provision."

Referring to the movement to put
an old-age pension law on the
statute books, Mr. Epstein declared
that the contention of insurance
companies that the growth of group
insurance will solve the problem of
the aged is entirely baseless.

"This insurance is paid only in
case of death, and even the average
group insurance policy of \$1,500
per person can hardly be termed
social provision," he said. "Group
insurance has no relation with old
age whatsoever and is merely pro-
vision for widows and orphans,
even there inadequate."

Moral Values of Old Age
Bishop McConnell warned against
the framing of laws "which would
tie up people with the present in-
dustrial system and curb their self-
respect and freedom of action in
intellectual or spiritual fields." He
urged that the moral values of old
age are endangered by the fear with
which unprepared aging persons
view the future.

Mr. Waldman criticized the as-
sociation's bill on the ground that
its provisions are inadequate. He
pointed out that the lower age
limit for pensions should not be
higher than 60 years and that moral
disqualifications should be removed.
He also suggested that "industry
should be made to bear part of the
financial burden of a pension sys-
tem."

Mrs. Kelly said that America "is
the only country behind civilization in
the social insurance legislation and
in the time that it has taken to
bring it about."

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Children's Service, 10 a.m.
Sunday School at Peak School,
10 a.m.

Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.
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The farewell ceremony at Statue Square and Queen's
Pier was a genuine tribute of respect for Sir Cecil and a
sincere note of regret at his departure. The full report
appears in this week's Overland China Mail.

A report also appears of the ceremony of swearing in
the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr.
Wilfred T. Southern.

The curtain has been rung down on the trial of Instone
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CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Tuesday, 18th February.
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MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Thursday, 6th March.
HAIPHONG—Via Hobei & Peking.	Thursday, 20th February.
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COMMERCIAL SUCCESSES

Operating costs of diesel-driven and steam-driven cargo vessels of the Shipping Board were compared in a paper submitted by Captain R. D. Gatewood, former manager of the maintenance and repair division of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, at the annual meeting of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers in New York. The following is a resume of Captain Gatewood's paper, after which we give the contribution by Mr. J. H. King, of Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox, to the discussion which followed the paper. In explaining the basis of comparison, Captain Gatewood said:—

"A number of voyages are included of several vessels, with the different types of drive, all operated by the same company and in the same service, namely, either from North Atlantic ports to India and return, or from North Atlantic ports to Australia and return by way of the Philippines and the Suez Canal; and since, for the most part, the various voyages were made during the same period of time, it is reasonable to assume the vessels were all operating under generally similar cargo load conditions. The tabulations which are presented have been computed from the actual charges against each vessel in the accounts of the Shipping Board."

The comparisons, which covered ten direct-driven diesel ships, four oil-burning steamers with reciprocating engines, and three oil-burning steamers with double-reduction geared turbines, were summarised by Captain Gatewood as follows:—

	Per day	Per mile	Per speed
10 diesel vessels	\$187.50	\$1.31	11.18
4 recip. vessels	255.18	1.84	9.94
3 turbine vessels	259.84	1.93	9.88

Average Cost Fuel Oil Per Barrel Diesel vessels

Steam vessels

Emphasis was laid upon the fact that on account of the method adopted by the accounting division of the Shipping Board, some of the voyages used for purposes of comparison carry a maintenance cost out of all proportion to the maintenance cost of other voyages. Another point made by Captain Gatewood was:—

"It should be fully appreciated that the steam-propelled vessels are equipped with boilers and machinery designed and built during the war period, and that no doubt much better fuel performance could be obtained with modern up-to-date machinery of this type, and possibly in some instances lower maintenance costs, and (but) it should also be realised that the diesel engines were the first of either their size or type to be built and installed in ocean-going vessels in this country, so that it is to be logically expected many improvements could be made in future engines of this class."

"Indeed, in the later engines of the diesel programme of the United States Shipping Board, which has just been completed, many improvements in design have been incorporated, and it is expected this will result in somewhat lower overall fuel consumption and much lower maintenance costs."

Engine Department Expenses The engine department expenses of the several vessels were stated as follows:—

Motorship West Honaker, 8,006 tons d.w., equipped with McIntosh and Seymour four-cycle single-acting 2,700 h.p. diesels, four voyages covering 109,288 miles; expenses per day, 165.36 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.09 dollars; average observed speed, 11.02 knots; maintenance repairs, 5,878 dollars.

Motorship Savolka, 9,015 deadweight tons, Busch-Sulzer two-cycle, single-acting 3,000 h.p. diesels, four voyages covering 106,101 miles. Expenses per day, 198.96 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.30 dollars; average observed speed, 11.77 knots. Maintenance repairs, 21,780 dollars.

Motorship City of Dalhart, 9,185 tons deadweight, Busch-Sulzer two-cycle, single-acting 3,000 h.p. diesels, four voyages covering 103,012 miles. Expenses per day, 191.26 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.19 dollars; average observed speed, 11.62 knots. Maintenance repairs, 7,951 dollars.

Motorship Yomachichi, 9,235 tons deadweight, Busch-Sulzer two-cycle, single-acting 3,000 h.p. diesels, three voyages covering 88,304 miles. Expenses per day, 181.83 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.17 dollars; average observed speed, 11.40 knots. Maintenance repairs, 4,995 dollars.

Motorship Tampa, 9,120 tons deadweight, Worthington two-cycle, double-acting 2,900 h.p. diesels, three voyages covering 78,153 miles. Expenses per day, 202.45 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.89 dollars; average observed speed, 11 knots. Maintenance repairs, 35,517 dollars.

Motorship Unicoi, 9,155 tons deadweight, Worthington two-cycle, double-acting 2,900 h.p. diesels, three voyages covering 78,153 miles. Expenses per day, 202.45 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.89 dollars; average observed speed, 11 knots. Maintenance repairs, 35,517 dollars.

Motorship Seminole, 9,132 tons deadweight, Hooven, Owens, Rentchler two-cycle, double-acting 3,800 h.p. diesels, three voyages covering 83,079 miles. Expenses per day, 208.44 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.50 dollars; average observed speed, 11.83 knots. Maintenance repairs, 16,779 dollars.

Steamship Editor, 9,694 tons deadweight, reciprocating engine 2,800 h.p., three Scotch boilers, 210 lbs., four voyages covering 101,690 miles. Expenses per day, 233.27 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.64 dollars; average observed speed, 9.90 knots. Maintenance repairs, 8,164 dollars.

Steamship Arcturus, 9,601 tons deadweight, reciprocating engine 2,800 h.p., three Scotch boilers, 210 lbs., five voyages covering 104,144 miles. Expenses per day, 237.97 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.61 dollars; average observed speed, 10 knots. Maintenance repairs, 11,238 dollars.

Steamship Egremont, 9,976 tons deadweight, reciprocating engine 2,800 h.p., three Scotch boilers, 210 lbs., five voyages covering 117,039 miles. Expenses per day, 280.38 dollars; expenses per mile, 2.12 dollars; average observed speed, 9.92 knots. Maintenance repairs, 15,469 dollars.

Steamship Oak Park, 9,455 tons deadweight, reciprocating engine 2,800 h.p., three Scotch boilers, 190 lbs., three voyages covering 84,829 miles. Expenses per day, 272.37 dollars; expenses per mile, 1.76 dollars; average observed speed, 9.92 knots. Maintenance repairs, 8,686 dollars.

Case For Steam Engine Captain Gatewood's conclusions were challenged by Mr. King, who asked for information about the high cost of maintenance repairs in the motorships.

"It would be very interesting if some information could be given in regard to the reasons for the very high cost of maintenance repairs. These diesel-engine ships are relatively new ships, and even when compared with the old war-built steam tonnage, the cost of maintenance repairs seems much too high."

"For example, the average maintenance cost per ship of the ten diesel ships given in Captain Gatewood's paper is 20,281 dollars; the average maintenance cost per ship of the four reciprocating engine ships is 11,546 dollars, and the average cost per ship of the three turbine driven ships is 18,816 dollars."

"It certainly speaks well for the war-built steam vessels when, after a period of eight or nine years' operation, the maintenance cost is little more than one-half to two-thirds the maintenance cost of diesel ships in service; only one or two years."

Unfair Comparisons Captain Gatewood very properly states in his paper that all the averages noted cover service from North Atlantic ports to India and return

and from North Atlantic ports to Australia and return. Of course, these conditions are the ones most favourable to the diesel engine and least favourable to the steam plant. Obviously, when a ship having a relatively high oil consumption is compared with one of a low oil consumption, the difference between the two is most marked on such long voyages as these.

"Furthermore, the operating conditions are far from favourable to the steam vessels, inasmuch as a long portion of the voyage is in the Mediterranean, Red Sea, and Indian Ocean, where the high temperature of the water makes it almost impossible to maintain good vacuum."

"It seems too bad that there are no comparisons of some voyages from the North Atlantic ports to Europe, and return for the two classes of vessels, or some comparisons of voyages on routes that would give the steamship at least an even chance to make a favourable showing on fuel costs."

"Captain Gatewood expresses the belief that many improvements may be expected in diesel engines of the type fitted in these ships, and while some improvements will undoubtedly be made, there is a question as to how far these improvements will go toward a reduction of maintenance and repair costs."

"If these had been the first marine diesel engine ever built there might be some ground for this feeling, but it must be remembered that these vessels went into service about thirty years after the diesel engine was proclaimed, in 1897, as a commercial success."

"If ships of the same design and tonnage develop the same power the speed should be equal in the ships noted in this paper the average deadweight tonnage per horsepower is greater with the steamships than with the diesel ships. The average deadweight tonnage per rated engine horsepower on the diesel ships is 2.98, whereas on the reciprocating steamships it is 3.45, and on the turbine ships 3.02. Thus, if for no other reason the diesel ships have an advantage in less deadweight tonnage."

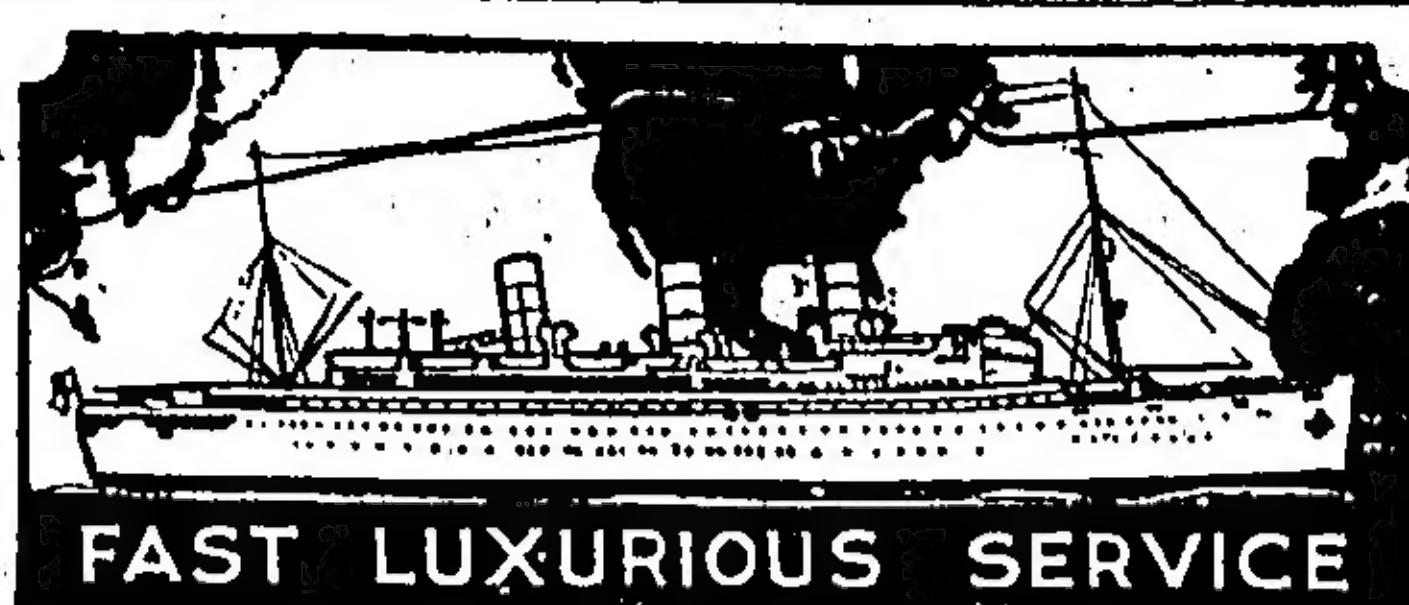
All Costs Not Considered

"The tables give only the engine department expenses, whereas if an attempt is made to compare two types of ships certainly all the costs should be considered. Among such costs are the charge on the investment which in private operation is a very important item."

"These diesel ships had an average cost for conversion of about \$900,000 each. The usual charge against this investment is 15 per cent, to cover interest, depreciation, and insurance. Fifteen per cent. on \$900,000 is equal to \$370 per day, an added overhead cost that no private owner could possibly carry."

"There is also another charge which enters into the cost of operating ships which Captain Gatewood has not mentioned, and that is the cost of demurrage. If there were added diesel engine ships caused by delays for repairs during their first few years of operation, the cost per day would, I believe, be further increased."

"It would be absolutely misleading to draw general conclusions of a comparative nature from the data presented in this paper. If it is desired to compare a diesel engine ship with a steamship, why has not the Shipping Board made an installation of modern steam machinery that would be really comparable with the modern diesel engines that they have installed in these ships?"



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STILL WATERS

Sir Cecil Clementi's
Blow
recent remarks on
democracy attract-
ed as much interest
in his new home as in this Colony.
Thus the "Topicist" in the Singa-
pore Free Press gets this off his
manly chest: A rather crushing
blow has been administered to
budding politicians of the Far
East by Sir Cecil Clementi, whose
final words to Hong Kong have
been that "democracy is not a
safe form of Government for the
peoples of the Far East in their
present stage of development."
This will cast a gloom over those
here (in Singapore) who are long-
ing for the day when the, as they
say, present archaic methods of
public representation shall be no
more. But, here (in Singapore)
Sir Cecil will find municipal de-
velopment at least far in advance
of that of Hong Kong, for we
(Singaporeans) fought the battle
of Government control many
years ago and any attempt to re-
vive it will meet with energetic
dispute. Pips or no Pips—That's
the spirit. Sir Cecil was admir-
able in very many respects, but
his ideas on municipal govern-
ment as opposed to a govern-
mental autocracy could not
possibly appeal to all in the
Colony.

A contrary view
An inquiry is taken by the
Needed Straits Times,
discussing on a
long discussion of the franchise
and similar matters, which up-
prising the Sir Cecil's remarks
of municipal government.

A reader asks for
Children space in this parti-
cular (or not very
"Talkie" particular) column
to express a wish
which has been in the
community in general, will fully
accept. The recent "Talkie" film

tration had special reference to
Hong Kong, but the trend of
them is hardly likely to inspire
the inmates of the Junior Talking
Shop in Singapore—the Municipal
Commission—with a superabund-
ance of confidence. It may be
that with the pending departure
of its president, who has been
almost entirely responsible for
the good that has resulted from
the activities of the Singapore
Municipal Commission, and the
arrival of a Governor whose
views on the subject are so very
pronounced, we (Singaporeans),
are on the eve of the much-needed
inquiry into the whole system of
Municipal administration in
Singapore. The Commission is the
nearest Singapore has to a
democratic institution and it can
scarcely be quoted as a recom-
mendation for the extension of
the principle. If Sir Cecil
Clementi can bring about such a
reorganisation as will put an end
to the many disturbing rumours
and mysterious comings and go-
ings in the civic life of Singapore
he will perform a second signal
service to this Colony. The first
was rendered when he declared
so bluntly his mistrust of demo-
cratic methods for the adminis-
tration of public affairs in the
East. Any shortcomings in the
municipal body politic of Singa-
pore are, of course, no reason for
condemning the entire system
elsewhere. Singapore, as well as
its Senior Settlement, Penang,
has been well served in the past
by Municipal Commissions and
shall still be in the future!

On the "Topicist" of
the aforemention-
ed paper in Singa-
pore, hopes that all
members of that august body,
the M.C.S., have been taking rid-
ing lessons lately for from what
he hears it is a penchant of their
new Ruler to appear on State oc-
casions a horseback, and presuma-
bly the Chief Officials of the
Straits Government have to do
likewise. Aye, 'twill be a grand
sight when they parade. But
how, some may ask, can he assume
the reins of office as an
equestrian unless a horseback?
Still, we have got to go all the
way to Singapore to learn for the
first time that Sir Cecil had a
penchant to appear on State oc-
casions a horseback.

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covered on New Year's Eve. The
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(i.e. "The Hollywood Revue") is
not one for a baby, though bored
and agitated, nor for a child to
hear. This applies particularly
to the Chinese, and in general to
the favoured "gallery." A
Chinese family, husband, wife,
concubine, sons, daughters and,
probably, a three months old
baby, all pay for admission. But
what an amount of disturbance
has to be put up with—
crying, talking aloud, shifting
seats, spitting and possibly a few
more irritatives. Could not a
rule be enforced, something on
these terms—"That children (all
nationalities) under the age of
five, be not allowed to hear a
'talkie' film."—It is all very well
for our correspondent to suggest
the banning of children whether
non-Chinese or Chinese, but he
has evidently no children of his
own. When he has a few bunches
of twins and a few more of
triplets he will want them all to be
"diverted" by a "talkie"—it
would be a change (for the
parents) from having the whole
tribe of little "joys" disturbing
the peace of the home. Why
shouldn't they be allowed to air
their lungs in a "talkie" cinema?
In fact there ought to be a
matinee once a week confined to
bairns under the age of five!

News in Brief

The graves in Sections A, C, and
Plague Rencches in Kai Lung Wan
East Cemetery are to be removed
six months hence.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on a
Chinese woman at the Kowloon
Magistracy this morning for dump-
ing house rubbish in Tung Chau
Street, Shamshuipo.

The following names have been
added to the Register of Medical
Practitioners: John Edward Huia
Cogan, B.M., B.S. (Glasgow) and
Alfred John Skinn, B.M., B.S.
(Edinburgh).

A report was made to the Police
yesterday of the removal to the
Government Civil Hospital of a
Chinese of No. 70, Canton Road,
who fell whilst on board the S.S.
Tung Lee and fractured his leg.

For keeping a common gaming
den at an unnumbered matchless
south of Austin Road, two Chinese
were at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning fined \$25 each, while
other participants were fined \$3
each.

Fung On, merchant, of 19, Main
Street, Shaikwan, reported to the
Police yesterday that at about noon
on Thursday, whilst his concubine
was walking between Causeway Bay
and the Lee Theatre, she lost a gold
diamond bangle worth \$135.

As forecast in the Estimates and
the Budget speech a long-felt need
in Kowloon will soon be filled by
Government who will, in the near
future undertake the building of a
maternity ward as an annex to the
Kowloon Hospital. It will be
situated on the eastern side of the
hospital and will be for the benefit
of patients of all nationalities. The
construction work will take two
years to be completed.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

Notice of the following forth-
coming weddings has been given to
the Registrar of Marriages:—

Mr. J. A. Kent, marine engineer
on the S.S. Haldi, to Miss Annie
Cross, 35, Cumberland Road, Kow-
loon Tong.

Mr. Robert Gordon Robertson,
prison officer, Victoria Jail, to Miss
Ivy Clementine Maud Van Dooren,
en route to the Colony by the S.S.
Rawalpindi.

BOMBARDIER'S DEATH

At 9.55 a.m., yesterday, the Water
Police received a message from the
Military authorities to the effect
that Bombardier Richard Fould,
R.A., of the 35th Heavy Battery,
stationed on Stonecutters' Island,
was sent to the Military Hospital
and died on the way.

No intimation was given as to
the cause of death.

Disensions have already revealed
themselves in the extremist party
in India. There are indications
that some members will refuse to
resign from the Assembly and the
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GOOD SERVICES APPRECIATED

TRIBUTES AND GIFTS TO MR.
W. J. STOKES

A FAREWELL PRESENTATION

Mr. W. J. Stokes, the retiring
Local Branch Secretary of the
Marine Engineers' Guild of China,
was last night, at the Guild offices,
the recipient of several handsome
gifts, from colleagues and mem-
bers of the Guild, as a token of
esteem and appreciation of his
services during the past ten years.

Mr. Stokes is to enjoy a short
period of leisure before leaving
the Colony for Australia early in
July. The duties of Secretary to
the Guild will be taken over by
Capt. T. T. Laurensen, D.S.C., the
Secretary of the China Coast Offi-
cers' Guild, who will combine the
two duties.

The Presentations

The presentation on behalf of
the Engineers' Guild was made by
Mr. W. J. Sprinall, who when
called upon by Mr. J. Watson,
Guild Secretary, said:—
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:
We are drawn together by a com-
mon impulse, that of esteem and
affection for our acting Branch
Secretary, Mr. W. J. Stokes.

In token of that esteem and
affection I have been asked on be-
half of members of both Guilds
to present him and his wife with
something which will remind them
of all the friends they will leave
behind in China.

This is a pleasant, but at the
same time a sad duty; pleasant
because it is an opportunity of
showing our appreciation of his
long and zealous service, and sad
because it is associated with that
saddest of words "Good-bye."

After many years in the arduous
profession of marine engineering,
Mr. Stokes has rounded off his
active life with ten years of hard
labour in the service of his
brother engineers on the China
coast.

Captain Laurensen has a diffi-
cult task in following a man like
Mr. Stokes, but we know he will
make a good show, and give us
of his best.

Mr. Stokes is about to retire
to enjoy the leisure he has so
well earned, and we all join in
wishing him and his wife many
years of happiness.

Mr. Sprinall then asked Mr.
Stokes to accept the gifts from
the Guild members, amidst ap-
plause.

The presents took the form of
a silver card-tray, engraved with
a dragon, and inscribed:

To Walter James Stokes.
From members of the Marine
Engineers' Guild of China and the
China Coast Officers' Guild, as
a token of esteem.

The second present was a silver
inkstand, with a dragon's head, in
silver, in the centre, engraved with
the monogram "W.J.S."

Mr. Stokes was also presented
with a substantial cheque, and
Mrs. Stokes with a monogrammed
silk chain bag.

Old Comrades
Capt. Laurensen, in making a
presentation on behalf of Mr.
Stokes' colleagues, said:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,
I have been asked by Mr. Watson,
Secretary, Marine Engineers'
Guild of China, to make this pre-
sentation to our retired colleague,
Mr. W. J. Stokes.

There are reasons why I do
not altogether like the position
which I have been requested to
fill this evening with regard to
the Secretaries' gift. First, as a
Secretary I am the most junior
and again I never feel happy
when I have to part company with
a friend.

Mr. Stokes and I have worked
together in the offices of our re-
spective Guilds since December,
1921.

I think those years have cer-
tainly been for me, a period of
very happy associations, of very
cordial co-operation and helpful
assistance, in work which had for
its objective, the improvement of
conditions on the China Coast, for
Officers of both departments of
the Merchant Navy.

There is nothing that I can tell
you with regard to our friend that
most of you do not know, but
generally there is little that you
know about the toll and zealous
labour performed, far into the
night Saturdays and Sundays,
Alike, on your behalf. His enter-
tainment, his recreation, his holi-
day, was work, or making perfect
more work.

When he was not at work for
the Guild, he gave what little time
he had to various institutions in
the Colony, and what ever he has
undertaken has been done with a
neat perfection, peculiar to him.

Mr. Stokes, on behalf of my
colleagues, Mr. J. Watson, Mr.
W. J. Sprinall, and myself, I have
very great pleasure in presenting

you with this clock, which has
the chime of Big Ben, in very
mellow tones.

It will remind you of London
town, bring back thoughts of the
days when you were a little
younger than you are now.

This time piece, I hope will
cheer your heart and home with
pleasant memories of the many
friends you have made in the Far
East, by your fearlessness in the
cause of right and keen sense of
fairplay.

May you live for many years in
good health to enjoy the happy
retirement, you have so well ear-
ned. (Applause.)

The clock bore the inscription:

Walter James Stokes.
From his colleagues,
T. T. Laurensen,
J. Watson,
W. E. Kirby.
Hong Kong, January, 1930.

Mr. Stokes' Reply

Mr. Stokes, in reply said:
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—
I don't think I can thank you.
Not because I won't for the
moment, but my feelings are so
worked up with your kindness and
forethought that I cannot say
what I would like. It is a ter-
rible wrench to go away and lose
what is practically my life, and
even my life, after ten years.
When I first came here I was
afraid I would be a most abject
failure. I had no idea what the
Secretary's job was, and was for-
tunate in getting broken in
straight away. I came down here
on November 10, and started on
the 12th. I didn't know how
much work there was until I got
to work.

Continuing, Mr. Stokes paid
tribute to Captain d'Oliveira,
who he said at that time
was like a school teacher to
him. He also recalled the
arduous days of arbitration,
when after nine days continuous
work, a settlement was arrived at
between officers and owners.
As regards the presents, they
were more than he deserved. He
had failed many times, and had
yet received encouragement, only
to fail again. "I knew that the
people I was working for were
more satisfied than I was."

The Change-Over

Speaking of the change-over in
secretaries, Mr. Stokes urged that
solidarity was absolutely essen-
tial. It was necessary for the
members to work together to
achieve success. "There has been
criticism about Captain Laurensen
taking my job. Well, we have
worked together for ten years, and
never had a cross word."

"You are" by your profession
mathematicians, and know that
two heads are better than one.
If the two Guilds work together,
and interlock, there is no room
for anyone to come between you.
Times are hard in China, and get-
ting even harder, which is all the
more reason you must stick to-
gether.

Captain Laurensen

"It has been said that possibly
Captain Laurensen being a sailor
and not an engineer, he may have
a leaning towards his own side.
After ten years with him, I can
say that he is not an engineer,
but the next best thing, a good
sailor (Laughter). More than
that, he is a gentleman. I know
that in any case of trouble, Cap-
tain Laurensen will lean to the
other side. (Applause.)

Vale
"It has been a glorious time to
work with you people, and to
know that on some few occasions
we have managed to get away
with it, and this has often been
due to Captain Laurensen."

"Gentlemen, I thank you for
saying 'Good-bye' in this glorious
fashion." (Applause.)
Captain Laurensen: I feel I
must say something in reply to
Mr. Stokes' kind remarks. I
don't know how to say it, but
what I do say is "Thank you, very
much." (Applause.)

The gathering concluded with
musical honours for Mr. Stokes.

NAVAL RELIEFS

H.M.S. Vindictive is due to leave
United Kingdom on February 25,
and is expected to arrive at Hong
Kong on April 23 with relief for
H.M.S. Tamar, Peersfield, Iroquois
and the British gunboats on the
Yangtze.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail,"
February 8, 1920.]

The S.S. War Coronet was
launched at noon to-day from the
building yard of the Talkie
Docks; the naming ceremony be-
ing gracefully performed by Mrs.
G. M. Dodwell as the vessel con-
tinued to move down the ways.
The vessel is the fourth of
three 8,000-ton deadweight stand-
ard steamers built by the Com-
pany to the order of the Ministry
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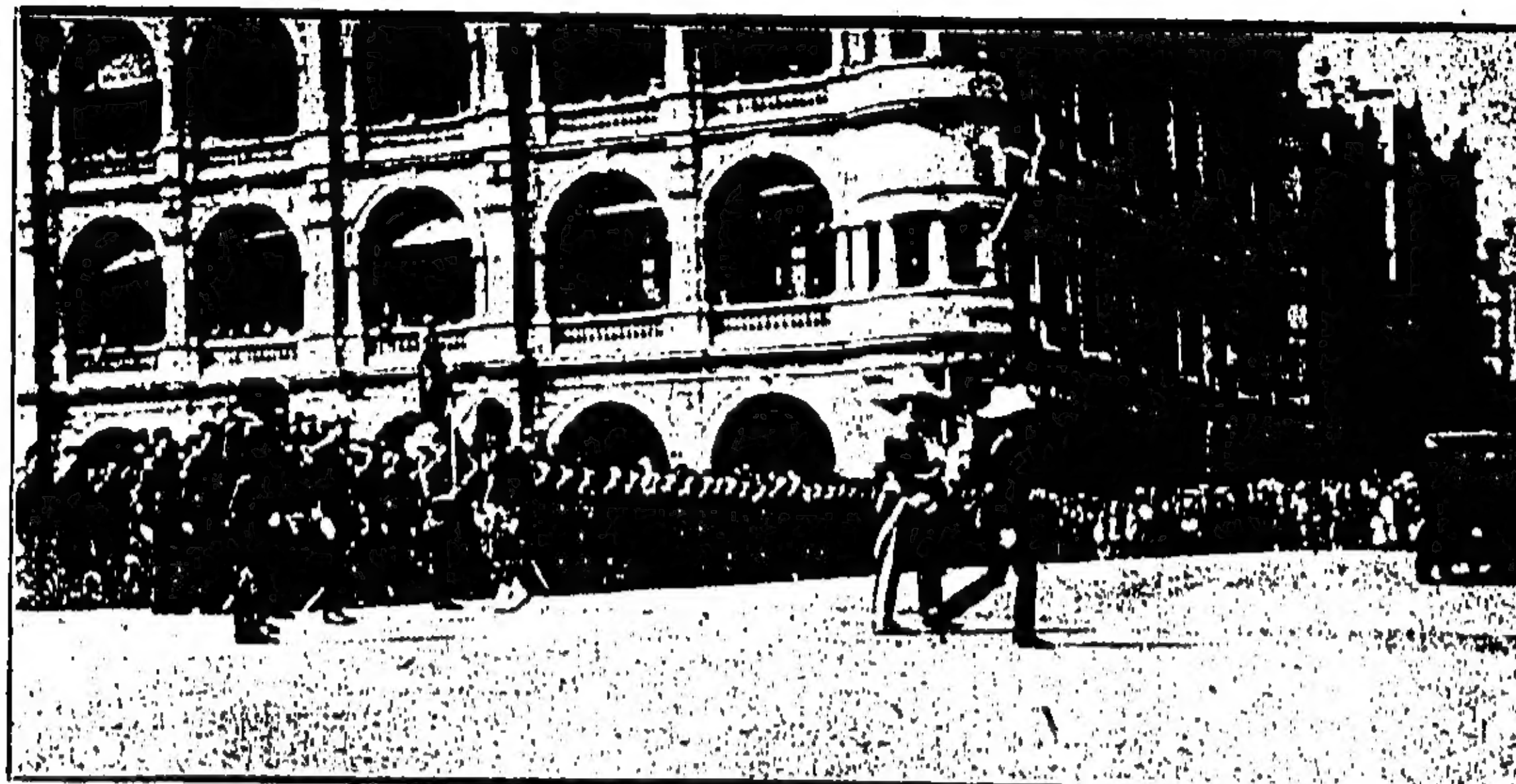
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TEXACO TRUCK FUELLING COMPETITORS—before the start of the motor cycle reliability trial at Kowloon at midnight on Jan. 31 which provided abundant thrills for those who took part in this always interesting contest.



HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor preparatory to inspecting the Guard of Honour provided by the Royal Navy on the occasion of his departure.



(Above)—J. E. WILSON (Gillet-3½) about to leave Kowloon on the 225 reliability trial.



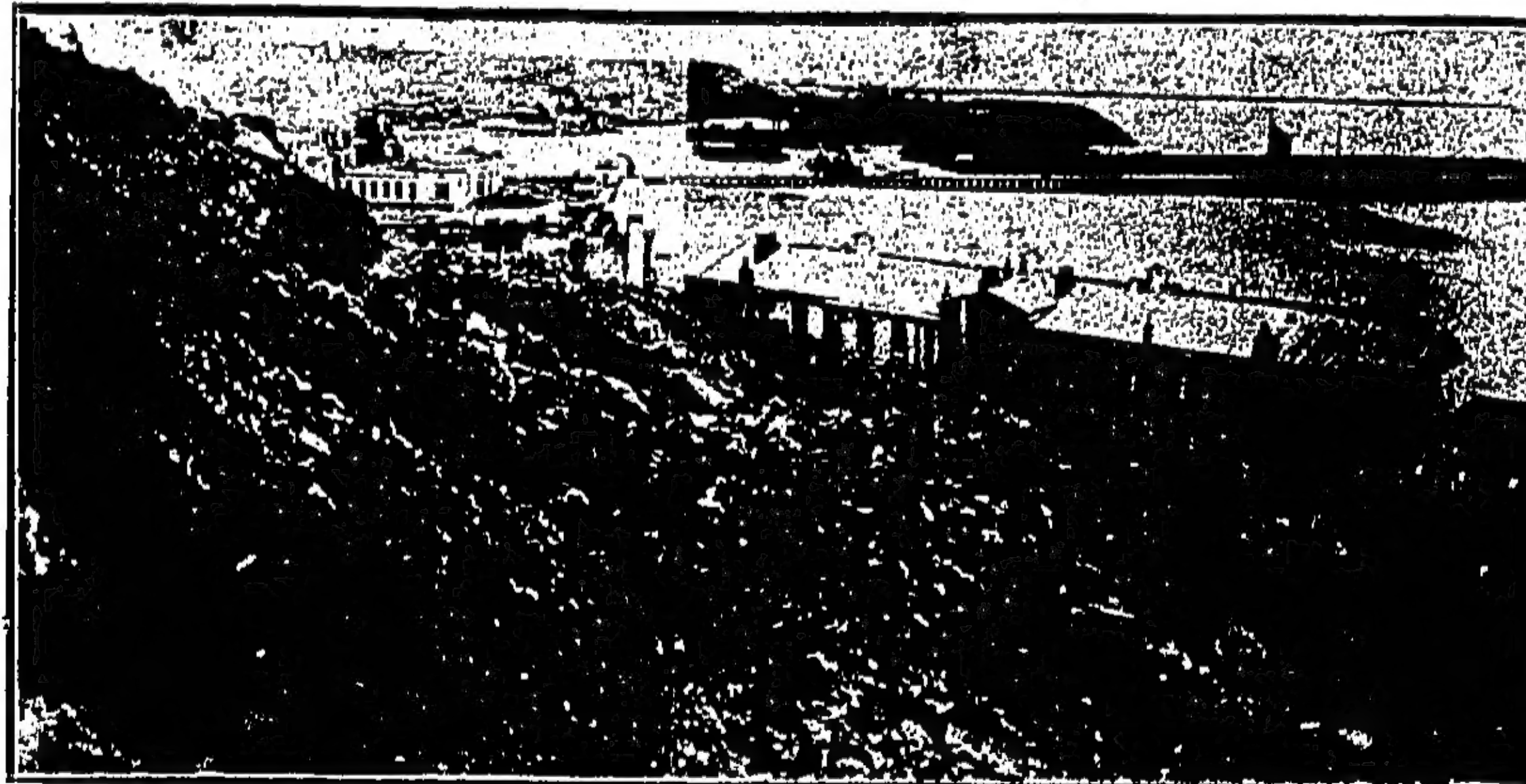
HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) in preparation of inspection of the Guards of Honour, prior to his departure for Singapore on February 1.



(At left)—CARDINAL PACELLI is expected to replace Cardinal Gasparri as secretary of the Papal State, Rome, Italy. Cardinal Gasparri, who is 74 years old, has long considered retiring and has several times offered his resignation to Pope Pius, but each time remained at the Pope's earnest solicitation.



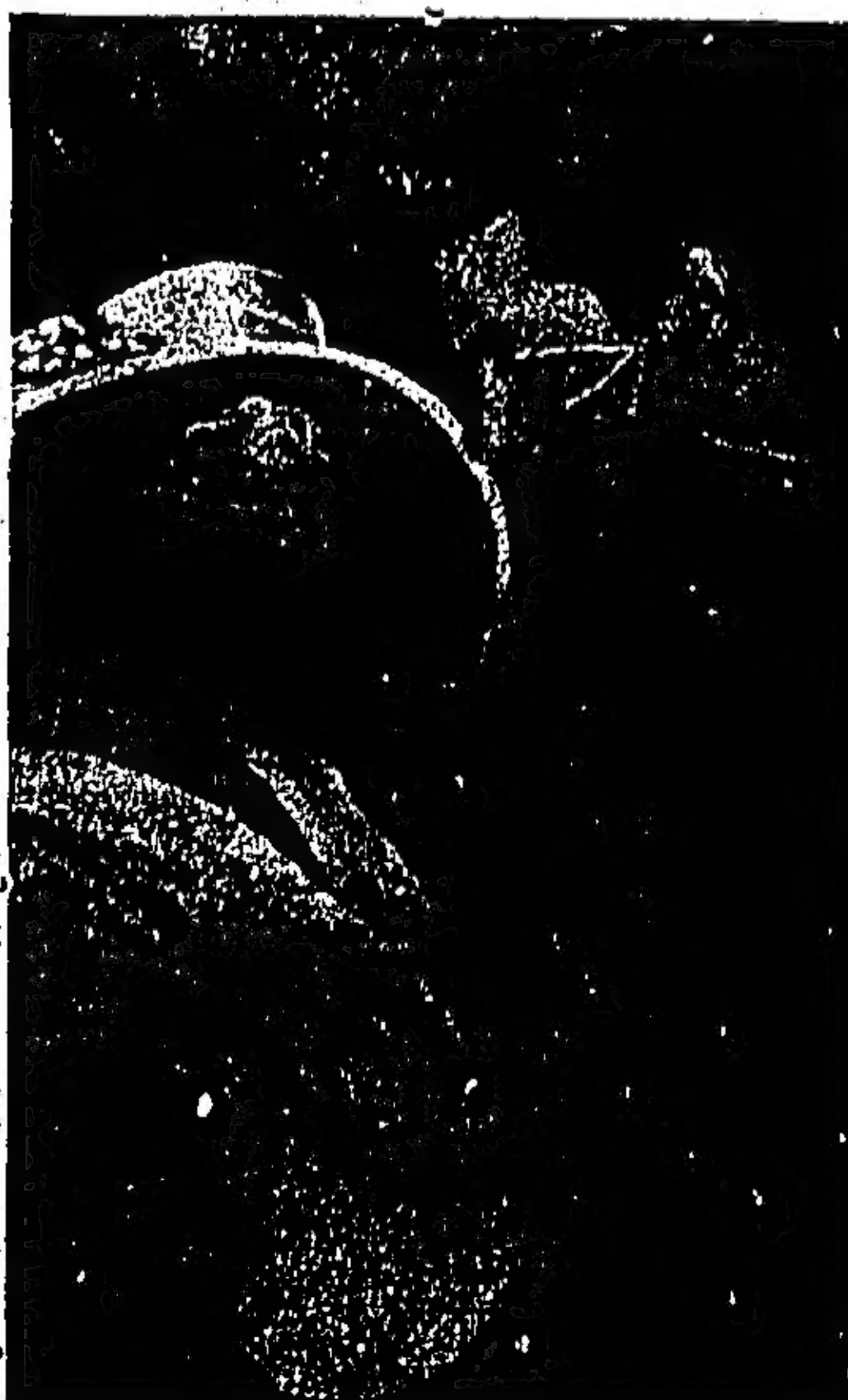
C. L. GREGORY (Monet and Goyon—500 c.c.) He failed to complete the course, a broken chain causing his retirement in the early stages.



GIANT LANDSLIDE.—Owing to the recent terrific gales, thousands of tons of earth overlooking the St. Beuve Boulevard, Boulogne, are sliding inch by inch into the sea, threatening the Hotel Imperial and houses in the vicinity. The hotel is being emptied of furniture.—(Sport and General).



STRATHLORNE, ridden by Mr. T. C. T. Beck, winner of the Fox Hunters' Cup (Heavyweight) Fanning Steeplechase Chinese New Year's Eve Meeting.



PRINCESS GIOVANNA OF ITALY, concerning whom an impending engagement to King Boris of Bulgaria is rumoured. The Princess is a daughter of the King and Queen of Italy.—(Sport and General).



"THE ROUGH RIDERS"—Featuring Charles Farrell and Mary Astor in a Paramount special production, now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.



BACHELOR KING.—Reports that the engagement of the King of Bulgaria, Europe's bachelor king, to Princess Giovanna, third daughter of the King and Queen of Italy, is impending, are contained in messages from Sofia. King Boris of Bulgaria.—(Sport and General).



MRS. L. DUNBAR presenting the Fox Hunters' Cup to Mr. T. C. T. Beck at Fabling on February 2, 1930.



Military Style Coat



The jaunty cape, worn over one shoulder of the brown and tan caracul coat, gives a military air to the costume. This style, with rolling collar and flaring sleeves, is very youthful and popular for the day-time hours.

SOCIAL PECCADILLOES

We all commit them. Even people who pride themselves on their good manners are often guilty of the "little sins."

The woman who does not immediately write a letter of sympathy on hearing of a friend's death; a letter of thanks to people who have entertained her; a letter of apology for a broken engagement... this woman is rude, but she errs through thoughtlessness rather than through lack of breeding.

There are, however, other breaches of good manners which are inexcusable. Mrs. X. will talk to you about "Mr. X." She never calls him "my husband," although she speaks of "my brother" or "my son," when discussing some other masculine relative. The Misses O. will insist that you take something from every plate on the table; perhaps they will even force you to take a second helping, though you protest that you have already had sufficient.

Lydia will not say "good-bye"—and go!

Talking "shop" is unpardonable at a social gathering. Yet how many women who are interested in nothing but dress will discuss nothing but dress? Those with a passion for some hobby or other will insist on talking about it to the bitter end. The sports-mad girl finds no other topic of conversation... all are examples of the way in which sheer bad form can spoil any party.

Fanny Burney, in her novel "Evelina," describes very graphically the pain ill-breeding gives to a sensitive mind. A true woman is never vulgar. She puts you at your ease, she is interested in your

POOR PEOPLE

Some Interesting Reminiscences

An old lady writes from a little country town that when people complain of lack of progress in our age they should have seen conditions forty or even thirty years ago, which were taken more or less for granted. It was an accepted thing that really poor children should be barefoot. They went to school with bare feet in the worst kinds of weather, and sometimes shoes—old ones, of course, and usually the wrong size—were given them so that they could come to church or Sunday school. It was considered rather kind of people to provide shoes for people whose destiny it was to have none. At Christmas luxuries of this kind were provided, together with oranges and apples. As regards food, charitable people made dishes which they distributed. These were the soups and jellies of village life. Bones were given away, though the reprehensible poor very often did not make of them the good soup they might have had. One old woman used to come up every week for tea-leaves, which were saved for her and which made for her the only tea she had.

There were such different clothes in the different statuses of life that clothes given away were generally rather disfiguring. They were too big or too long, and some people had little discretion and gave away things which were wholly unsuitable for the purpose for which they were used. For the children poor parents had little time to cut them down and they were worn as they were. Again, it was the thing for the "poor child" to be rather disfigured by clothes. One of the greatest changes is not only in the fact that every one is shod, but that they are shod in a becoming way. Also the children who pour out of the elementary schools now look as smart and trim as the children of any school, with whom it is also the tendency to wear a uniform exactly suited to its purpose. —H. in Manchester Guardian.

NEW ENSEMBLES

Coats and dresses that combine ensembles include fine linings, crepe de Chine, or Shantung gowns, worn beneath linings or tweed coats. The coats are cut on simple but elegant lines, with distinctive details such as side fastenings, quaintly shaped pockets, scarf collars, and unusual necklines. A typical model—and one that illustrates the prevalent lace-jersey vogue—comprises a navy blue coat fastening down one side with a single row of the same coloured buttons, worn over a dress of fine lining that shades from pale yellow to deep orange. This is not the ordinary shading process, but is achieved by shadings of different tones superimposed one above the other in charmingly artistic diagonal lines from hem to neck. It is at the neck that the lining melts, so to speak, into a subtle lace-jersey yoke, terminating in the same diagonal points that break the dullish surface characteristic of so many "ombre" materials. The lace-jersey reappears in a scarf that is passed through a wide slotting cut across the front neckline of the coat.

affairs and not eternally talking about her own home and children. She does not lavishly praise her friends to their faces, she does not gush—and she knows when enough has been said.

Drury Lane Pantomime



For the first time for many years, the famous Drury Lane Theatre, the home of spectacular Pantomime productions, staged "The Sleeping Beauty" for last year's Christmas pantomime. A talkie film of a rehearsal of the pantomime was made for Pathe Sound Pictorial. The "Pantomime King," Mr. Julian Wylie, the famous producer, is seen seated at table watching the pretty chorus at rehearsal. —(Sport and General).

LONG OR SHORT?

The battle of skirts has by no means reached a decisive conclusion.

While the leading dressmakers' flat ordering trailing gowns appears to have been obeyed as far as fashionable evening entertainments are concerned, it has been completely disregarded for day wear, and women writers continue to urge their readers not to be forced by fashion into wearing the garments which they condemn as ugly and unhealthy.

German women are reported to have definitely rejected the return to long skirts.

EVENING GOWN MODE

There is a new movement to be specially noted in evening gowns; an effective sort of "waft," as it were, achieved by long slender panels cleverly attached to backs of dresses in various ways. They fall from the shoulders in a series of tabbed ends all the way down a back, or they are cut in one with a bodice at the middle of the back, where they are lightly knotted before they stream outwards. The "movement" is really charming, and seems to glide with the wearer. Obviously, however, it is limited to the more ephemeral materials such as tulle, chiffon and lace.

POPULAR SPORTS WEAR

Two-piece ensembles are still the popular theme for sports wear, the dress as a rule being simply trimmed with a narrow leather belt round a yoked hip line. Beige crepe de laine is frequently used for both jumper and two-piece styles.

Line, of course, is the principal characteristic of all such clothes, and, though it is simply detailed in sports models, it is none the less an unmistakably rhythmic quality, typically expressed, for instance, in fine tucks raying outwards from the length of the skirt to the hem on either side of an inverted box pleat.

When there is a combination of colour mixtures, sweaters, scarves, and bags are so devised as to continue the same design and colouring.

INTRIGUING HATS

There are some intriguing braided hats for wear with tailored suits. These novel millinery models may be in very fine straw or fabric, but they are braided all over in such a way that the effect is of finest embroidery.

SHOE LORE

The shoe manufacturers have been busy with new ideas. Beige shoes are finished with coral kid. Straps and edgings of corded silk adorn other kid models. Heels are obviously a debatable point, as heights vary considerably.

Equestrienne Costume



Stars of Hollywood have taken to horseback riding, so that the breeding air brings many of them on the bridge path. Above is pictured an excellent horsewoman, her equestrienne dress, a costume of her white riding machine, a large brown coat and hat, and her riding boots and riding crop.

SOME BEAUTY TIPS

For closing enlarged pores without leaving unsightly marks, massage with stale bread is particularly helpful. Begin by bathing the face for about ten minutes in hot rain-water lather. Rinse in two or three changes of water, each time lowering the temperature until the final bowlful is just tepid, when a few drops of eau-de-Cologne should be added. Instead of drying on a towel, remove the moisture by means of thin pieces of bread laid in the palm of the hand. As the tissues of the face are moved lightly, the skin is invigorated, and the gentle massage effectually closes the pores, leaving neither scar or blemish. Skin blemishes often present a last-minute problem. Any slight discoloration can be concealed by rubbing with glycerine and lightly powdering. A largish "blotch" is best dealt with by touching it with peroxide of hydrogen and concealing it beneath a beauty-patch of black silk court plaster, but in a small circle, or diamond shape.

Radiant solution, too, for a last-minute eye-bath. There is no need to emphasize the importance of bright eyes as a potent asset for the dancing girl or her dressmaker's friend.

TRAVEL CLOTHES

Some Both Smart And Practical

Gone are the days when we wore out our garments to "travel in." The worst of the wardrobe generally appeared on quays and railway platforms—in winter one saw an array of mangy-looking fur wraps and tweeds, with boots and gloves of the oldest!

How luxurious travel requisites have become! The delicious camel-hair or fur rugs, foot muffs of silk and fur, pillows, gay peignoirs, and the pullman pyjamas—all such things that can be tucked away into the pockets of a light and practical silk and leather cushion.

One can appreciate the modern method of eliminating meaningless and unnecessary paraphernalia, though fashion leaves us all sorts of charming travel accessories, that certainly add to comfort and help the appearance by air, road, sea, or railway.

Joy of Wool

The mid-season collections give us many pleasing wool specialties. For a long journey what is better than a softly-woven fabric? Some shaded effects are interesting—several ensembles are composed of checked or striped jerseys, woven and alternating with plain fabrics.

Blue and grey (dark navy and iron grey) and beige and brown are better colours for travel than even the chic black. Navy is undoubtedly creeping into its definite place for next year's fashion. A navy flannel frock with a blouse-like bodice pouches over a grey suede belt, and ties at the neck with a large spotted grey and blue tie. To go over this is a navy cardigan, with a border of pin tucks as a trimming, worked with inserted stitches of grey wool. Then there is the top-coat of navy velours, lined grey fleece, and collared with grey caracul. It will be wisdom to take navy serge or flannel for day wear abroad.

A grey-and-black suit in tweed also looks well with one of the new long semi-fitted seamed capes with a scarf collar of its own.

For Paris is again making valiant efforts to force the cape vogue on us, and certainly of late has given us some charming examples. For travelling especially there are some new soft tweed coats, lined fur, that have attached cape-backs, or semi-fitted cape sleeves. They ensure a certain amount of extra warmth, which is all to the good.

The big top-coat is so very important and expensive nowadays that it is generally wise to select some neutral shade that will look well over several frocks and suits. Then it should be spacious enough to go over any cosy ensemble, and on fairly slim women the extra cape is smart. A walking coat, in fine peach colour, has a three-tiered (highwayman's) cape of the cloth with self-edge border, and is cut double-breasted, fastening with four large pearl buttons.

The seamed, slightly waisted effect gives a hint of change, and is a variation from the straight slim line. Flannel is worn at Palm Beach and on the Riviera. Champagne, peach, and pale-green flannel make extremely effective colours for the sun, with sober-grey for morning wear and when skies are dull.

Straw and Felt

A new fabric is a loosely woven striped hopsack, far softer and more like a tweed than these usual canvas sort of materials. The methods in weaving provide novel touches to familiar fabrics, the loosely woven "masks" being undoubtedly softer.

Paquin has a new coat in dark and light grey; others in mottled beige and red, with clever shaded

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Satin Dress



Luminous black satin is used for the evening gown which has found favour in New York. The dress reveals a princess foundation with circular collar outlining the decolletage neckline and matching circular ruffles forming the three-tiered skirt.

DRESSES AND WRAPS

Whether the occasion be dinner, the opera, or the theatre, the rule for the evening ensemble seems to be a simple dress and an elaborate wrap. Charming frocks of black varnished lace are worn beneath handsome broadened and lame capes of green and gold, Chinese red, and silver and black, trimmed with high short collars of black, grey, beige, or white fox fur.

Dresses of plain georgette and chiffon are also worn under sumptuous wraps. Net gowns, however, better express the more recent mode. Women past their first youth look wonderfully well in net gowns of lavender, soft purple, or Bordeaux red, under velvet wraps in darker hues, trimmed with black or grey fox.

Almost without exception, wraps are draped about the figure. Some have shoulder yokes. Others have scarves, hoods and loosely devised ruffles. Wraps, in a word, are more "decorative" in the evening than are the dresses accompanying them.

IN THE DARK

Have you seen the new fashion for ladies' finger-nails that has come from the imagination of coiffeur? No more henna, no more dye; but, instead, luminous mother-of-pearl coatings that make the nails glow in the dark and shine in the daylight. They look queer in the gloom of the theatre.

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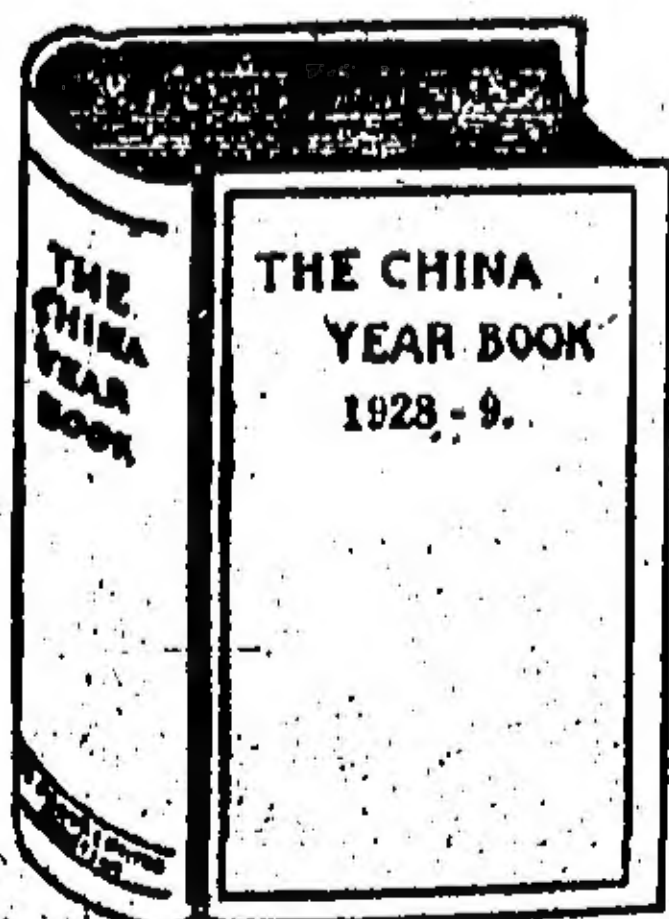
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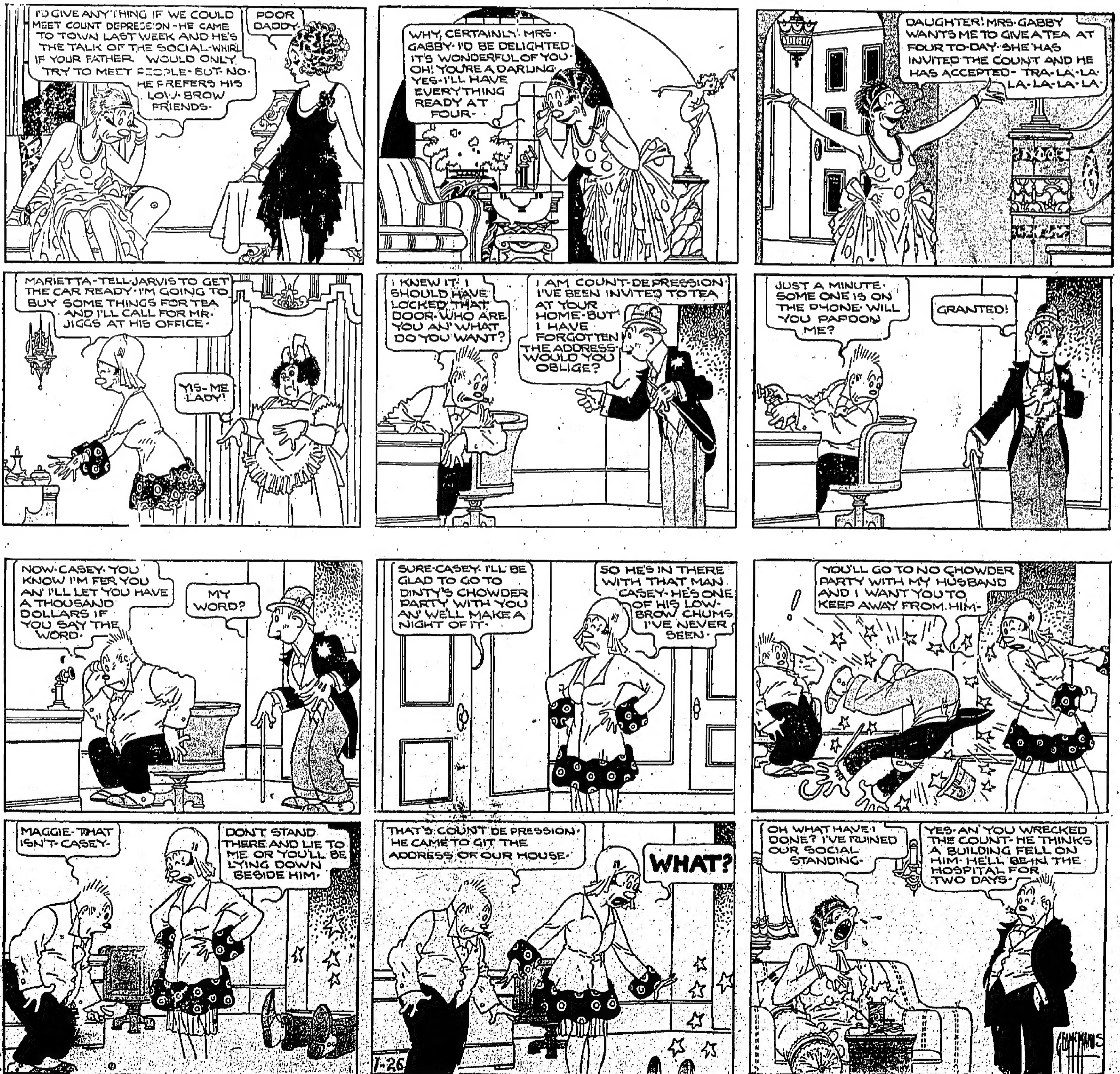
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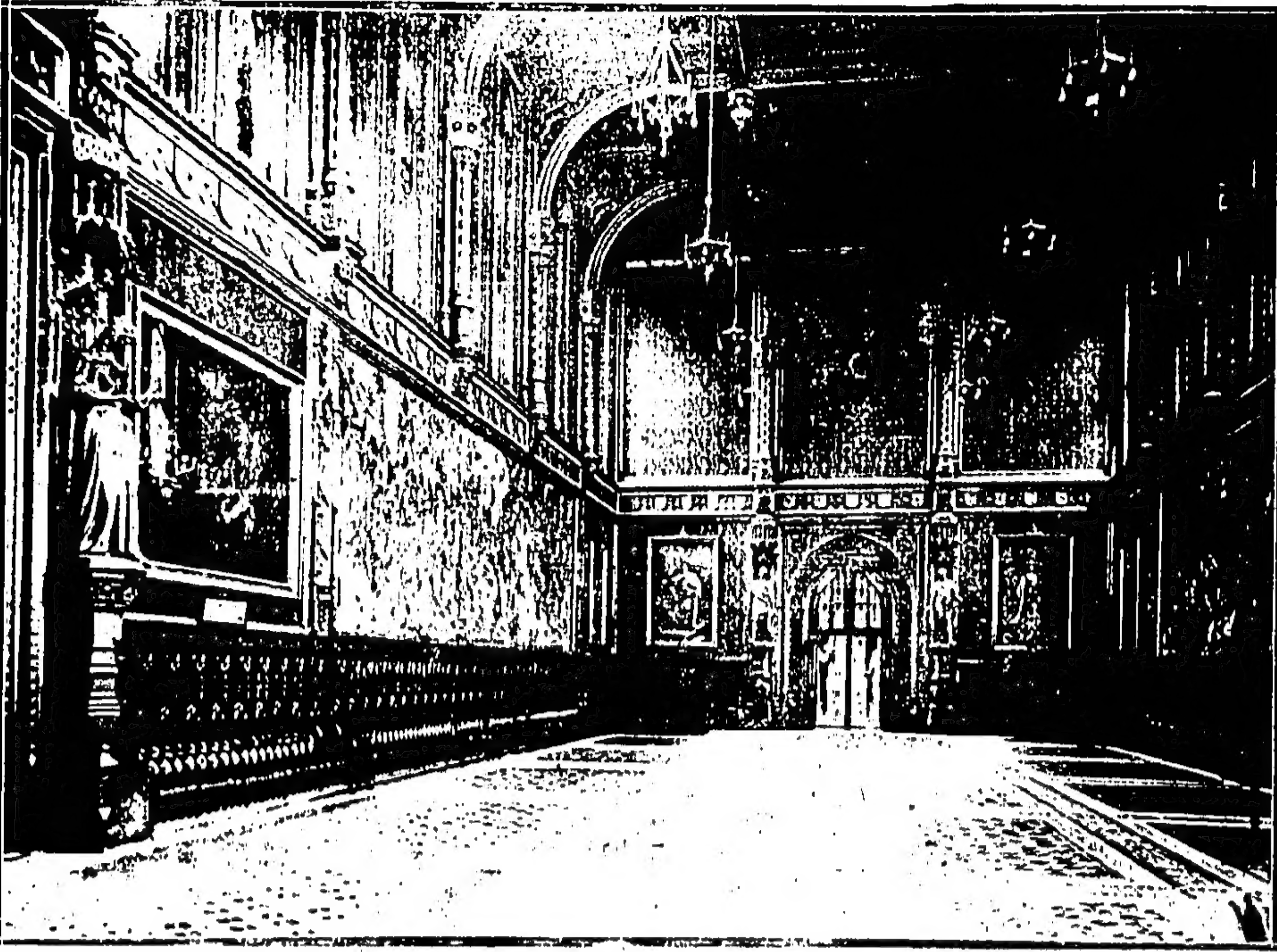
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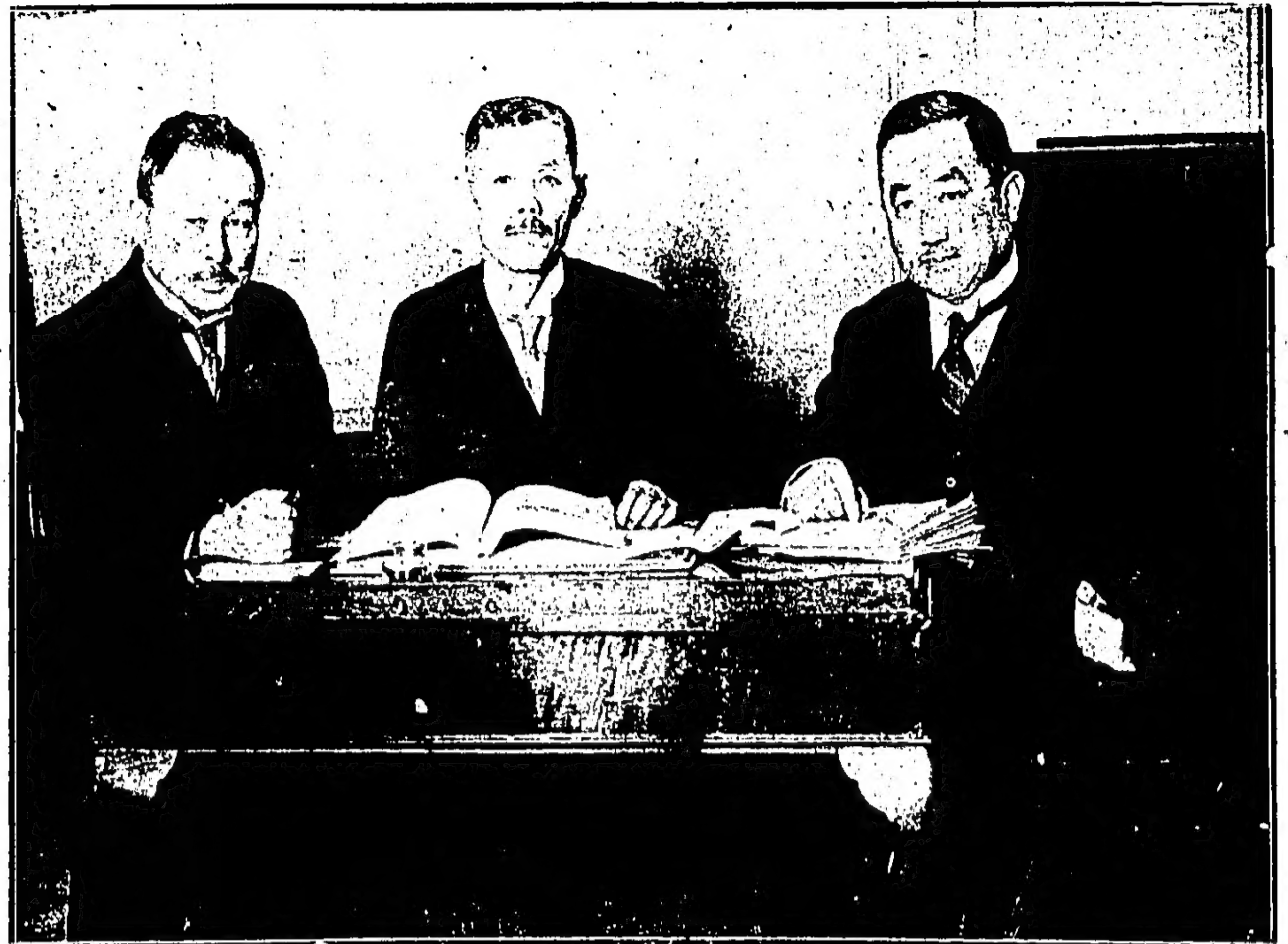
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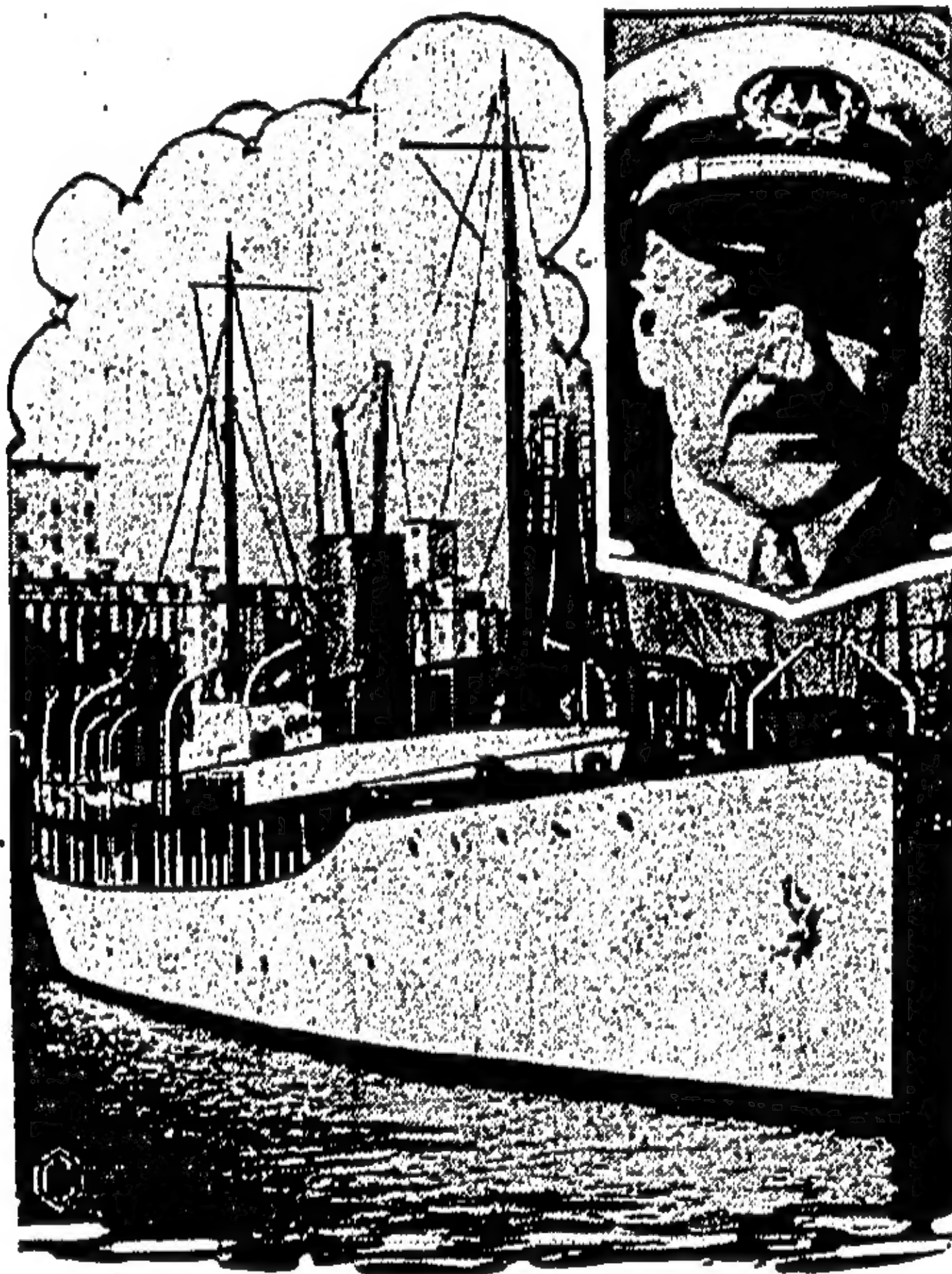
THE ROYAL GALLERY, House of Lords, London, where His Majesty the King opened the Five-Power Naval Conference on January 21. General view of the Royal Gallery. The oblong picture on the left is where H.M. the King sat for the Conference.—(Sport and General).



THE JAPANESE DELEGATION to the Five-Power Naval Conference now being held at St. James's Palace, London, has a preliminary conference! Left to right:—Admiral Takarabe (Minister of Marine), Mr. R. Wakatsuki (ex-Premier of Japan and Chief Delegate) and the Japanese Ambassador in London, Baron Tamao Matsudaira.—(Sport and General).



AN INTERESTING portrait study of Mrs. Franklin Mott-Gunther, wife of the American Minister to Egypt. Before her marriage she was Louise Bronson Hunnewell, of New York. Her husband was previously Counsellor of the American Embassy at Rome, Italy, and also Chief of the Division of Mexican Affairs in the Department of State.



VIEW OF THE YACHT CAROLINE, which left New York under the command of Capt. Andrew Peterson (inset), for a preliminary survey that will prepare the way for a scientific expedition to mysterious Easter Island, believed to hold the secret to much of man's ancient civilisation. The boat is owned by Eldredge R. Johnson, who is said to be planning a new \$1,500,000 yacht that will carry two seaplanes and be used by a party of scientists to carry on the investigations begun by Captain Peterson.



GENERAL HSU YUAN-CHAU, Nationalist Army commander, has been hailed throughout Nationalist China as the saviour of its cause. Yuan-Chau is credited with a large part of the victory over the stubborn rebels of Northern and Southern China, against whose forces of 70,000 he led his own army of 40,000.



MERCEDES GLEITZE, 28-year-old London typist, who sprang into fame in 1927 by swimming the English Channel, is now reported to have broken the women's world endurance record. According to reports, Miss Gleitze swam continuously for 26 hours on New Year's Day in an indoor club in Edinburgh, Scotland.



MAHATMA GANDHI, famous Nationalist leader, whose resolution favouring complete independence for India, to be attained gradually, was approved by a vote of 184 to 77 at the forty-fourth Nationalist Congress now in progress. When the National flag was raised at the opening of the Congress, pandemonium broke loose, several persons fainted, and the uproar took on much the appearance of a riot.



THIS FAKE PHOTOGRAPH of the Ex-Czar Ferdinand, of Bulgaria, who abdicated in favour of his son, the present King Boris, was taken recently on the Emperor's estates in Western Hungary. He is shown with a party of his hunters during one of his hunting trips, which have become a family pastime, with big game as the prize.

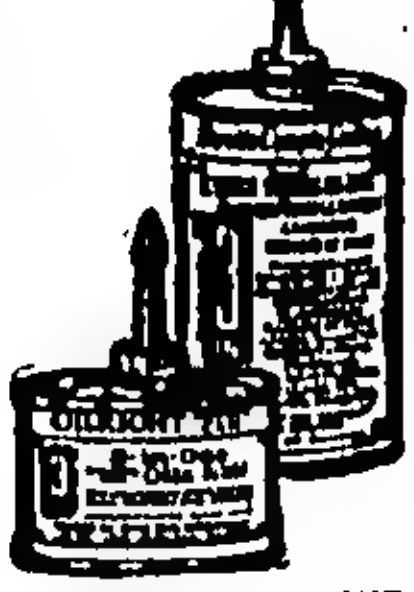


CHINESE CADETS IN THE ROYAL NAVY. Under the arrangements entered into between the British and Chinese Governments a number of Chinese junior officers are being trained in the Royal Navy both afloat and ashore. A party of Sub-Lieutenants at the Royal Naval College—Greenwich.—(Sport and General).



DR. GABRIELLE RAKOSY, daughter of the late Eugene Rakosy, one of the best known political writers of Hungary, as she appeared in her library where she studied to reach her present goal. She has the distinction of being the only woman criminal lawyer in Hungary. She is also the leader of many progressive movements in her country.

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THE TREATMENT OF DISTEMPER

SUCCESS CLAIMED FOR "FIELD"
VACCINE

OFFICIAL REPORT

The Duke of Portland, president of the "Field" Distemper Council, has signed and approved the publication of the report of the Scientific Committee, which is presented by Sir Charles Martin, F.R.S., its chairman. In their last progress report, in November, 1928, the committee stated that the researches carried out by Dr. Laidlaw and Mr. Dunkin had demonstrated beyond peradventure that the method of preventive inoculation devised by them was capable of making dogs resistant to infection by distemper and that the time had arrived to arrange for the production of the prophylactic and its distribution on a commercial scale.

Although the whole processes of manufacture of the vaccine had been made public through scientific journals and there was nothing to prevent any firm attempting to make it, the committee recommended that the "Field" Distemper Council and the Medical Research Council should invite a well-equipped commercial laboratory to undertake the manufacture and distribution, with the assurance that the committee's investigators would, at the outset, give every assistance in technical questions of the preparation and standardization of the product.

Large Scale Production

This recommendation was approved, and Messrs. Burroughes Wellcome and Co. were invited to undertake the manufacture and distribution of the prophylactic on a commercial scale. The firm agreed to do this and at once began to make the costly installation necessary for production on a large scale at the Wellcome Physiological Research Laboratories.

Meantime the American Distemper Committee had entrusted the manufacture of distemper prophylactic in the United States to the Lederle Laboratories, Pearl River, New York State, and to the Mulford Laboratories, Philadelphia.

The more extended experience which the committee's investigators have now had of the use of the method in the field has but strengthened the conclusions:—(1) That it is possible to induce a resistant state in a susceptible dog by means of a suitable dose of vaccine; (2) that this resistant state may be converted into immunity by means of a small dose of living virus; and (3) that dogs which have received both inoculations are solidly immune against the natural disease. It further seems clear that the whole process, including the administration of living virus, is reasonably safe, provided that due precautions are taken.

Only Healthy Dogs Treated

The most important precautions are, that only healthy dogs should be treated, and that the dogs should be isolated throughout the immunization process. Upwards of 2,000 doses of prophylactic have been issued and the total mortality has been less than 1 per cent. This figure has been arrived at by placing all doubtful cases against the method. Over and above this small percentage of fatalities there has been a further small proportion of animals which have shown an unusually severe reaction to the living virus, and have caused the veterinary surgeon in charge and the owner anxiety for a time. In many instances the immunized animals have been in contact with severe cases of natural distemper and have remained unaffected and, so far as the committee are aware, there are extremely few cases in which a dog that had received the treatment subsequently succumbed to distemper, i.e., in which immunization failed.

Reaction Severe

Although each batch of vaccine and virus issued by the Wellcome Laboratories is tested upon a number of healthy dogs before it is passed for issue, it is hardly to be expected that each and every dog subsequently treated will give a perfect response to the vaccine and become so far resistant that no disturbance follows the injection of the living virus. The reaction to the second (virus) injection is likely to be severe unless the animal is in good health. As emphasized in the directions issued with each dose of the prophylactic, it is important to ensure that dogs are not suffering from, or exposed to, infections at the time they are undergoing prophylactic treatment. The committee can only suppose that this warning as to "sublimating" none but healthy dogs to the treatment has not always been regarded. When severe reactions for fatalities occurred, the committee's results in other cases in which the dogs were inoculated with the vaccine, and which were not followed by severe reactions, and which were not followed by fatalities, are a strong argument in favour of the vaccine.

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ROUND THE CINEMAS

"Bridge of San Luis Rey"

NOTABLE CAST

With what is probably the largest cast, in point of names, assembled in a picture in many months, and with a story that is astounding, the screen has seen heretofore, "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's drama based on the famous Thornton Wilder novel, filmed with talking sequences, is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

The novel, a sensation, is closely followed in the story, and impressionistic effects aid in carrying out its atmosphere. The thrilling wreck of the bridge, majestic cathedral scenes and vivid human touches were skilfully woven together by Charles Brabin, the director, Lily Damita, as the fiery dancer, Ernest Torrence as Uncle Pio, Raquel Torres as Pepita the convent girl, Don Alvarado and Duncan Rinaldo as the brothers Esteban and Manuel, all have outstanding roles, as have Henry B. Walthall, Tully Marshall, Emily Fitzroy, Mikhail Vavitch, Paul Ellis, Jane Winton and others of note.

The impressionistic settings and lightings by Cedric Gibbons, and the clever handling of the script by Alice D. G. Miller are important factors in the big production.

"Alias Jimmy Valentine" William Haines' latest picture, "Alias Jimmy Valentine," made from the famous stage play and with talking sequences, will play at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow.

The picture is of interest because it gives the star his first real chance at a straight dramatic role. Hitherto, his name has been associated with roles of the "smart Aleck" type, and the comedy angle has predominated. In "Alias Jimmy Valentine," which there are a number of funny moments, the dramatic interest has been emphasized, first of all.

Noted players in the supporting cast include Lella Hyams, Karl Dane, Lionel Barrymore, and Tully Marshall. Haines plays a young safe cracker who outwits the police at every turn. Then he meets a girl, determines to go straight, and is tracked by his enemy, Detective Doyle, in a succession of scenes full of excitement and surprise.

"The Rough Riders" Great pictures have that intangible something called spirit. Sometimes the quality that lifts a production from mediocrity into fame is love. Sometimes it's war. Often it is both, combined with the elements of humour and drama lifted to a zenith of popularity by the sterling performances of the players.

Taken all together, this is a meagre description of "The Rough Riders," which is now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.

Picture if you can a nation thrown into a fever of patriotism by the sinking of the Maine—many remember it—visualize a man of dynamic instincts, picturesque leadership, and profound intelligence—things that appeal to men of all races and all classes—springing to the forefront of an epic campaign on behalf of human liberty. Such a man was Roosevelt. And thus he is portrayed in Paramount's splendid production.

Consider in this maelstrom of war and sacrifice and deeds of daring a love theme contrived in two brave boys and a girl of rare sweetness and loveliness. Until you have seen Charles Farrell, Charles Emmett Mack and Mary Astor in this unusual triumvirate of screen sentiment you will not appreciate how marvellously the drama of the human heart can be portrayed under circumstances that wrench and tear one's soul. It would be despoiling romance itself to divulge which one wins the girl.

The charge of the uniformed individualists, rangers and pampered society dandies, up San Juan Hill, is something never to be forgotten. It is breathless. It is the epitome of valour and adventure. It is an inspiring lesson in patriotism and manhood.

There is humour bound up bodily with this magnificent story, and in Noah Berry and George Bancroft goes much of the credit for characterization of strength and fun that are finely native and genuine. Fred Kohler, the hard-boiled type, gives an able performance. Frank Hopper as Roosevelt is a revelation. Col. Fred Lindsay as Leonard Wood is every inch the soldier and a gentleman.

The picture is truly a new page in motion picture achievement.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMER

The B.L. ss. Shiraz will leave for this port on February 9, 9 p.m., and is due here on February 10, 10 a.m.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY STAMPS

AIR POST ISSUES: SOVIET CHILD WELFARE ISSUE

PICTURESQUE DESIGNS

The closing weeks of the year 1929 added further to the annual issues of Christmas charity stamps. Luxembourg contributes an attractive set of five stamps reproducing in photogravure beneath the designation "Caritas" a portrait of the youngest daughter of the Grand Duke and Duchess, the baby Princess Marie Gabrielle, who is four years old. Printed in two colours and pleasing in appearance, they comprise 10+10 centimes brown and green, 35+15c. blue-green and brown, 75+30c. orange and sepia, 11+25c.+50c. mauve and green, and 1y. 75c. blue and black. The Christmas stamps was to be on sale only until February 1, although they will remain valid for postage up to the end of this year. The 1929 charity-postage stamps from the Saar Valley will be limited to 40,000 complete series of seven denominations—namely, 40+15 centimes, 50+20c., 11+50c., 11 50c.+75c., 21+11, 31+21, and 101+81. It is understood that they are handsomely printed by the heliogravure process, but no details of the subjects of the design (or designs) are yet available. The Soviet also issued child-welfare stamps last Christmas, for the third year in succession, in denominations 5, 10, and 20 kopeks, symbolizing Agriculture and Industry.

Air Mail Issue

The number of new air post stamps that has appeared during the past year illustrates the growth of air mail services in many parts of the world. Fresh varieties are from Albania, Hayti, and Mexico, while others are foreshadowed from Guadeloupe and Chile. The Albanian issue takes the form of the original air post stamps of 1925, depicting a Junker aeroplane arriving at Tirana, the capital, brought up to date by a roughly applied overprint in red or black reading "Mr. Shquiptare" (Kingdom of Albania). The printing is declared to be restricted, amounting, in the case of the Franker values, to little more than 1,000 copies of each. Still more limited is the edition of a provisional set of stamps for use on official communications dispatched by air in Mexico, comprising only 600 apiece of the "Centavos" values and 78 of the 1 peso. These stamps are remainders of the obsolete Pan-American Postal Congress series of 1925, adapted by overprinting in three lines with the inscription "Habilitado—Servicio Oficial—Aereo."

Two propaganda stamps were to be sold in this country during air mail week (December 10 to 16) of the face values 20 centavos dark green and 40c. violet, in an effort to popularize the Mexican air post service. A second air post stamp of 1 gourde denomination, printed in pale blue and identical in design with the 50 centimes recently recorded, was taken into use in Hayti on November 30 last. The French West Indian island of Guadeloupe is to be provided with a special set of air mail stamps owing to the extension of the Pan-American Airways system there.

Because of protests by business men against the inconvenient dimension of the present Canadian 10 cents stamp there is talk of reducing it to half its present size when the existing stock is exhausted, while retaining the main features of the design.

Set of Nine Values

Charity-postage stamps in aid of social and medical work in the Belgian Congo are announced for early issue in picturesque designs prepared by the Institut de Gravure, Paris. The actual printing is to be carried out, however, by the State Printing Works at Malines, the set of nine values being made up as follows:—10+5 centimes, 20+10c., 35+15c., 60+30c., 11+50c., 11 50c.+75c., 31 50c.+11 50c., 51+21, and 101+51. At the same time the temporary stamps hitherto provided for circulation in the mandated territories of Ruanda and Urundi in the form of overprinted types of the Belgian Congo itself, will give place to a series of 15 values of definitive design, also engraved and printed in Paris. The French Colonial stamp bureau will release, shortly, a permanent series of postage stamps for the Tchad division of French West Africa of two pictorial types, one showing a native canoe on Lake Tchad, and the other a group of conical hills.

Mr. Langhorne, referring to a luncheon to his personal tour of Hyde Park by night, said that it was "as bright and wholesome a place as there is anywhere in the land."

Organised to improve the health of the people of the British Empire, the British Empire League, which has been formed in London, North Vancouver, B.C.

P'RAPs — P'RAPs NOT!

Passenger: "I want a ticket to Smith's corner. Will you please tell me where to get off?"
Conductor: "Yes, Mum! It's three stops before you get to the terminus."

Joe: "What's wrong with Mike's fingers?"
Bill: "He broke them cracking jokes with a deaf and dumb man."

"Now, sir," said the reporter, during an interview with a successful business man, "would you care to tell our readers what, in your opinion, counts most in the modern business world?"
"Certainly," the magnate replied—"an adding machine!"

Two gossips were watching a neighbour entering her house after a shopping expedition.
"It's only 'swank' that she's going about like that with her arm in a sling and her eye bandaged up," observed one of the gossips enviously. "It's just to make people believe that her husband has come back again."

Friday is pay-day at a certain factory in Perth, and one Thursday, one of the girls presented herself at the cashier's office.

"What do you want?" the cashier inquired, and when she answered that she was after her week's wages she was reminded it was not Friday.

She reddened and grew confused. "It's mother's fault," she declared, "packing me fish for lunch."

"I know a good way to cure bacon," said Boste. "Shall I tell you?"

"I prefer you to tell me how to procure it," replied Doleman.

"Good Morning, Uncle Joe. Did you sleep well? I'm afraid your bed was rather hard and uneven, but—"

"Oh, it was all right, thank you. I got up now and then during the night and rested a bit, you know."

Young lady: "Do you know, I often wonder why a ship has to weigh its anchor every time it leaves port?"
Friend: "Well—or—the weight is constantly changing, you know, because of the—er—binnacles and—er—things that accumulate on the anchor!"

Soprano: "Did you notice how my voice filled the hall last night?"
Contralto: "Yes, dear; in fact, I noticed several people leaving to make room for it."

It was an exceptionally hot and humid day, and Fat laid himself down by the roadside to rest.

Presently an old lady appeared, and, looking sadly at the man, said: "Poor man, was it the heat overcame you?"
Fat looked up, cutely, and with an eye to business responded meekly: "I ain't quite sure, Mum, whether it was the blessed 'eat or the drink."

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/6 3/16
Bank, on demand	1/6 3/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/6 3/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/7 1/2
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/7 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	937 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1012 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	
On New York—	
On demand	36 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	38 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	101 1/2
On demand	101 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	101 1/2
On demand	101 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	65 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	74
On Shanghai—	
On demand	78 3/4
30 day's sight (private paper)	
On Yokohama—	
On demand	74 3/4
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tola)	
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	12.55
Silver (per oz.)	20 1/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Par.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	8% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.m.
Chinese Sub. Coin	24% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.	
Paris	124.07
New York	3.805
Brussels	34.905
Geneva	25.195
Amsterdam	12.12 1/2
Milan	92.94
Berlin	20.865
Stockholm	18.125
Copenhagen	18.19
Oslo	18.215
Vienna	34.54
Frankfurt	164 1/2
Helsingfors	189 1/2
Madrid	37.025
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	318
Rio	6 19/32
Buenos Aires	42 1/16
Bombay	1/5 29/32
Shanghai	1/11 1/4
Hong Kong	1/8 1/4
Yokohama	2/0 1/4
Silver Spot	20 1/16
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Sport Columns

INTERPORT MATCHES

Shanghai's Easy Win at Soccer

HALF-BACK SUPERIORITY

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

Shanghai made an excellent start in the series of Interport Soccer games by gaining a pronounced victory over the visiting Hong Kong eleven, at the Stadium, yesterday, by five goals to two. The ground was in excellent condition at the commencement of the game, and the stands were packed to their utmost capacity with enthusiastic spectators, the attendance probably exceeding ten thousand.

The Tientsin team indulged in some shooting practice at the nets before the arrival of the contesting teams, both sides being given a rousing reception. Hong Kong won the toss but the advantage to be gained thereby was negligible, for there was only a slight breeze over the sheltered ground. The exchanges for the first ten minutes were very even, most of the play being in midfield and the keen tackling by both sets of defenders preventing the forwards from creating openings. Butcher, the visiting left winger, tried hard to break through, but Pote-Hunt saved the situation and sent Favacho away, Pote forcing the ball into touch.

A centre by Turner caused some excitement when Favacho dashed into the centre and bundled the goalkeeper over the line for a corner, which was cleared. Luckily for the home side, Pote-Hunt was in splendid form against Butcher, who was the most persistent forward in the Hong Kong team, and was dangerous on several occasions, only to be beaten by the half-back. A through pass by Doggrell gave Snook a splendid opportunity to score, but, with only Rodger to beat, he shot across the face of the goalmouth, the ball passing behind for a goal-kick. Turner left the field after a collision with Reeves, having apparently injured his shoulder, and was absent for about ten minutes.

Shanghai Open Scoring

Snook then saved well from Goldman, who was playing a dashing game in the centre, and later the custodian had to leave his goal to clear, with both A. V. Gosano and Goldman in close attendance. However, Shanghai took the lead after 23 minutes play. A neat forward pass by Duffy gave Turner a clear run down the wing, and his well-placed centre put the defence in difficulties. With the goalkeeper out of position, both Snook and Doggrell tried hard to reach the ball, but Hedley cleared, almost on the line, in the nick of time. Pote-Hunt immediately secured possession, ran along the right wing, and, from his perfect centre, Doggrell headed a fine goal amidst a roar of enthusiasm from the spectators.

Hong Kong were not slow in retaliating, good play by B. Gosano almost having the desired effect, to be followed immediately by a good centre by Butcher, giving A. Gosano a good chance to equalise. He shot straight at Snook and the custodian fell on the ball, the referee finally ending a scrimmage by giving a free kick in favour of the defence. Snook was slightly hurt by being kicked on the head during the scrimmage.

Seven minutes from the interval, the home team again asserted themselves, and increased their lead. A cross by Turner went to Favacho, and, although the winger had a reasonable chance of scoring himself, he passed to Snook in the goalmouth, who shot into the net as the keeper advanced. The Hong Kong goal had several narrow escapes before the interval and was under almost constant pressure. Rodger ran out and smothered a

shot from Sinclair when that player looked all over a sealer, and Doggrell shot high and wide from a good position.

Hong Kong Well Beaten

After the change over, the home team were still the superior side, although it was noticeable that the inside forwards of the Hong Kong team were waiting for the ball to reach them instead of going to meet it. Not a few chances were lost owing to them allowing themselves to be beaten by the home half-backs for possession. Some good combination by Snook and Doggrell looked like bringing another goal until Reeves intervened, but play continued to be confined to the Hong Kong half, with the result that it was no surprise when Sinclair obtained the third goal, when the second half was 20 minutes old. Turner again had a hand in the scoring, for it was from one of his low centres that Sinclair deflected the ball between the posts. The wing men of the visiting team were the only ones in the forward line capable of making progress, the inside forwards being invariably beaten before the goal area was reached. Snook got the ball into the net from a pass by Doggrell, but was offside. However, the fourth goal came ten minutes after the previous one, Doggrell dribbling past two defenders before placing the ball in the goalmouth, where Sinclair was in position to score easily.

Hong Kong were awarded a penalty kick soon afterwards, when Marcal was struck on the arm with the ball from a shot by A. Gosano which did not look really dangerous. Reeves gave Snook no chance with a terrific shot from 12 yards mark, the ball striking the inside of the upright before entering the net. Shanghai soon restored the advantage, when Sinclair got his third goal of the match. When the defence were expecting him to make a pass to Snook, Sinclair made a fine shot from about 15 yards range, which landed in the corner of the net before Rodger realised what had happened. Within a few minutes, Hong Kong obtained their second goal, a centre by Butcher being taken first time, and the ball was in the net before Snook could make a move.

The Teams Analysed

Shanghai were easily the superior team on the day's play, and would have scored more often with a little luck. Pote-Hunt was in splendid form, and played one of his best games, while Duffy on the opposite wing put in a great deal of good work. Costa did some useful things without playing as well as he usually does. The three inside forwards of the home team all played well. Sinclair, although not much in evidence in the early stages, subsequently improved, to show his usefulness by scoring three of the goals. Some of the movements by Snook and Doggrell were very good to watch, and much credit is due to the former for the manner in which he kept his line moving. Turner sent across a number of good centres, but Favacho did not reach the same form he displayed in the trials.

The weak display by the inside forwards of the Hong Kong team was partly responsible for their defeat. Except for occasional flashes in the initial half, Goldman did very little of note, while Gosano at inside right did not live up to his reputation. Butcher was the best forward, with B. Gosano the next best. Both the wing half-backs were hard workers, while Reeves played a fine defensive game. Rodger made many clever saves and had very little chance with the shots that beat him.

The teams lined up as under:—
Hong Kong: — Rodger; Reeves and Pile; Hedley, West and Remedios; B. Gosano, A. V. Gosano (Captain), L. Goldman, Scott, and Butcher.

Shanghai: — Snook; Stokes and Marcal; Pote-Hunt, Costa and Duffy; Favacho, Sinclair, Lieut. Snook (Captain), Doggrell, and Turner.

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H.K. GOLF CLUB

The Starting Times for Sunday

9.16 a.m.—C. B. Riggs and P. Morrison.
9.28 a.m.—C. W. Swell and A. D. Humphreys.

9.32 a.m.—G. B. S. Thomson, and C. W. Jefferies.
9.36 a.m.—E. Lewis and C. Thwaites.

9.40 a.m.—R. A. Campbell and J. S. MacLaren.
9.44 a.m.—N. K. Littlejohn and J. Forbes.

9.48 a.m.—R. K. Hepburn and F. Lebel.
9.52 a.m.—A. Leach and I. H. Geare.

9.56 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and F. A. Remond.
10.00 a.m.—J. Coulthart and A. Ritchie.

10.04 a.m.—H. A. Lammert and J. P. Sherry.
10.08 a.m.—W. A. Weight and W. N. Fleming.

10.12 a.m.—D. Ellis and J. N. Grant.
10.16 a.m.—G. S. Archbutt and H. U. Ireland.

10.20 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.24 a.m.—E. J. R. Mitchell and E. D. Matthews.

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10.56 a.m.—R. H. Wild and G. W. Tate.

11.00 a.m.—R. D. Wrigley and H. Ruffin.
11.04 a.m.—D. S. Edward and C. E. Moore.

11.08 a.m.—S. Berg and G. W. Reeve.
11.12 a.m.—J. S. Drummond and S. S. Perry.

11.16 a.m.—J. Ashworth and E. M. Bryden.
11.20 a.m.—H. W. Page and B. Petheram.

11.24 a.m.—E. Korn and B. J. Lacon.

11.28 a.m.—R. P. Moodle and E. P. Streetfield.
11.32 a.m.—J. C. Highet and F. M. Ellis.

11.36 a.m.—D. M. Goodall and H. Hampton.
11.40 a.m.—A. B. Purves and L. R. Andrewes.

11.44 a.m.—C. H. Bradley and T. S. Whyte-Smith.
11.48 a.m.—W. Paterson and T. C. Monagan.

11.52 a.m.—O. Eager and D. S. Robb.
11.56 a.m.—A. Piercy and D. J. Gilmore.

12.00 noon.—H. Spicer and B. D. Evans.

INTERPORT GOLF

The results of yesterday's four-balls were as under:—

Hong Kong

Marton & Wrigley (5 & 3) .. 2
Showan & Andrewes (5 & 4) .. 2
Bloxham & Dodwell (3 & 2) .. 2

Manila .. 6
Fielder & Parrot .. 0
Mason & Cothran .. 0
Douglas & Mackay .. 0

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NEW BOXING RING

To Hold 6,000 and Run Three Shows a Week

Within the next few weeks The Ring, Blackfriars Road, a boxing hall unique of its kind in the world, will be pulled down, and in its place will be built a palatial hall which, it is believed by the promoters of the enterprise, will be the biggest centre for boxing in the country. The new hall, which, like the present building, will be called The Ring, will hold 6,000 spectators. The cost is "not to exceed £180,000." It will be circular. There will be a lofty vestibule, bars, foyers and cloak-rooms, and a Royal and other boxes. And in the vast basement beneath will be a swimming pool, dressing rooms, gymnasium, first-aid room, baths, club rooms, and a big restaurant.

Brigadier-General C. R. Champion de Crespigny, a well-known sportsman, is interested in the new venture, and so are Col. the Hon. Wilfred Egerton, Sir Humphrey de Trafford, Mr. H. Garland Wells (chairman of the Clapton Stadium) and Mrs. R. D. Morrison.

Shows At Popular Prices

"Primarily the new stadium will be devoted to boxing," Mr. Morrison told The Evening News. "We propose to run three shows a week, just as The Ring does now under Mrs. Dick Burge, and at popular prices. It seems to us that there is a big demand for boxing, but that a large hall and low prices are essential nowadays to the successful promotion of the sport."

"We expect to open the new Ring next October."

Mrs. Burge has not yet decided whether she will or will not be actively concerned with the new company, she told The Evening News in mail week. The purchase price of The Ring was £60,000, half of which is to be paid in shares.

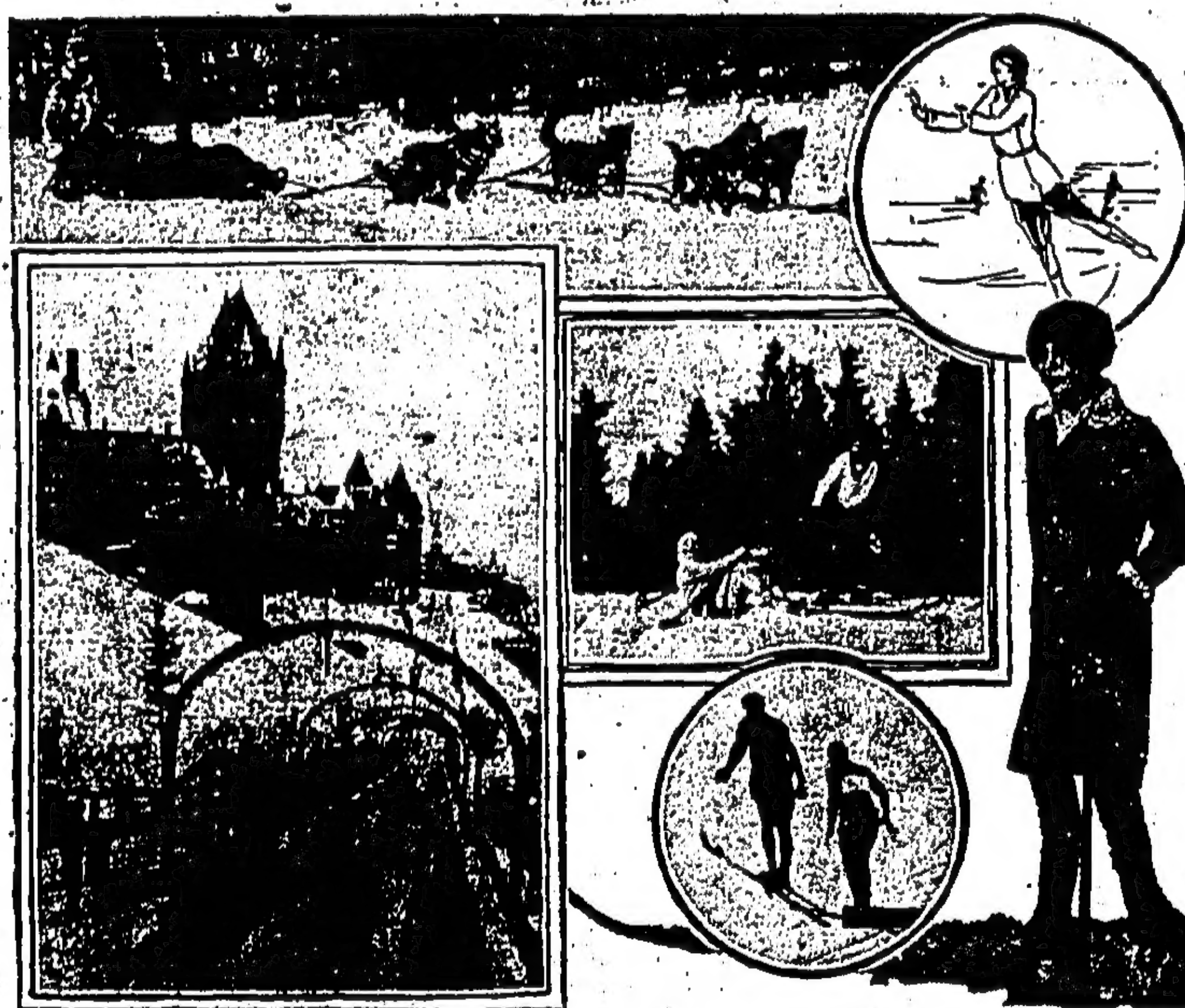
"My husband took over The Ring in 1910," she said, "and I have managed it for the last eleven years. It has been my dream for 20 years to see the building of a huge boxing hall in London, where all lovers of the sport might be able to see the best fights at a reasonable price. Now that dream is coming true."

"It has been impossible to stage really big matches at the present hall, because it holds only 2,000, and the charge for admission would have had to be very high—and that, I hold, is not fair to the regular spectators."

In the match in which Heriot's defeated Lansdowne, A. H. Brown had as his opposite number E. Davy, the Irish internationalist, and the latter, brilliant defender though he is, found he had quite a handful in Brown. If Scotland find a better out-half this season they will indeed be well served.—A Daily News writer.

The marked decline in the ability, versatility, and masculinity of men is the outcome partly ... of the deliberate attempt throughout Anglo-Saxon civilisation and its imitations, to limit the notion of manliness to martial bearing and proficiency at sports.—Anthony M. Ludovici.

Quebec Winter Sports



Vive le Carnaval! Vive les sports d'hiver! In these few words may be summed up the spirit of Quebec in winter-time. Here for many years have gathered lovers of winter sports and frolics from all parts of the western hemisphere.

The ancient capital of Canada is the American continent's metropolis for ski-ing, ski-joring, ski-jumping, tobogganing, bob-sledding, skating, snow-shoeing, dog-team driving, curling, and hockey, during the winter months, and in addition has a unique attraction to offer the visitor in February when the International Dog Sled Derby annually takes place.

Winter sports activities radiate from the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec's famous hotel, where Jack Strathead will again be winter-sports director. This season he has a new attraction to offer during the Ice Pageant, February 12 and 13, when 24 girl members of the Toronto Skating Club will perform an ice-dance to be known as the "Dance Moderne." This will be a veritable "Magical production on ice."

In all about two hundred skaters will take part in this ever attractive and beautiful Pageant.

A record list of entries is promised for the Dog Sled Derby this season. Arthur Beauvais, driver of the Chateau team, announces that he will have a better team than ever. His new huskies were bred at Caughnawaga, the Indian reservation near Montreal. At the Dog Derby, February 20, 21, and 22, the visitor will see such famous mushers as St. Godard, winner of last year's Derby; Seppala, Norwegian hero of many an epic drive; Frank Dupuis, and many another well-known figure in action for three days over a 123 mile course, mushing 41 miles a day.

Three internationally famous ski-ing instructors will be on the staff of the Chateau Frontenac this winter. They are Ivin Nelson, Hans Gunnarson, and Orville Higge, of Revelstoke, British Columbia. Burnett Burke formerly of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, will be instructor at the Chateau's skating rink.

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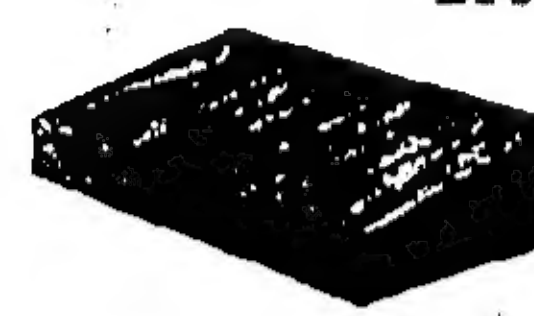
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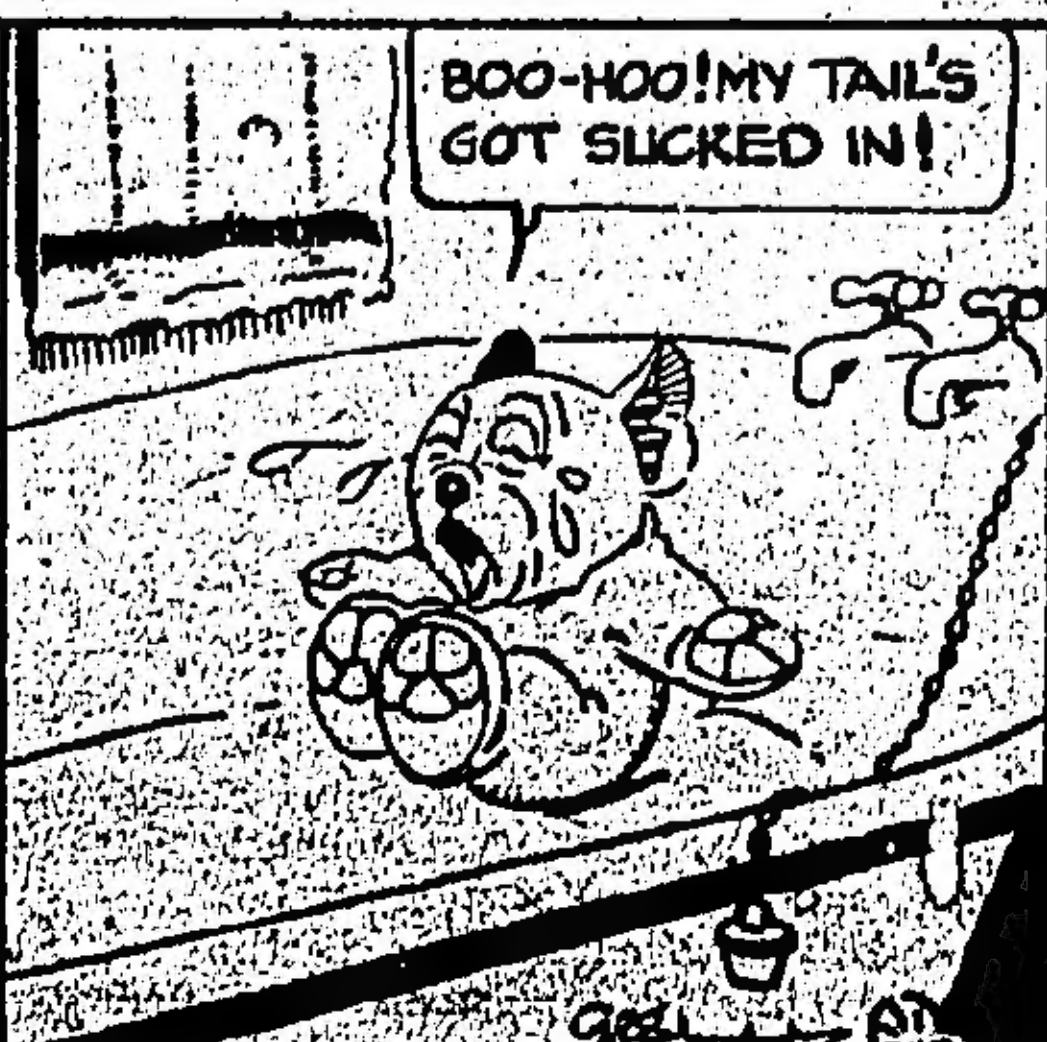
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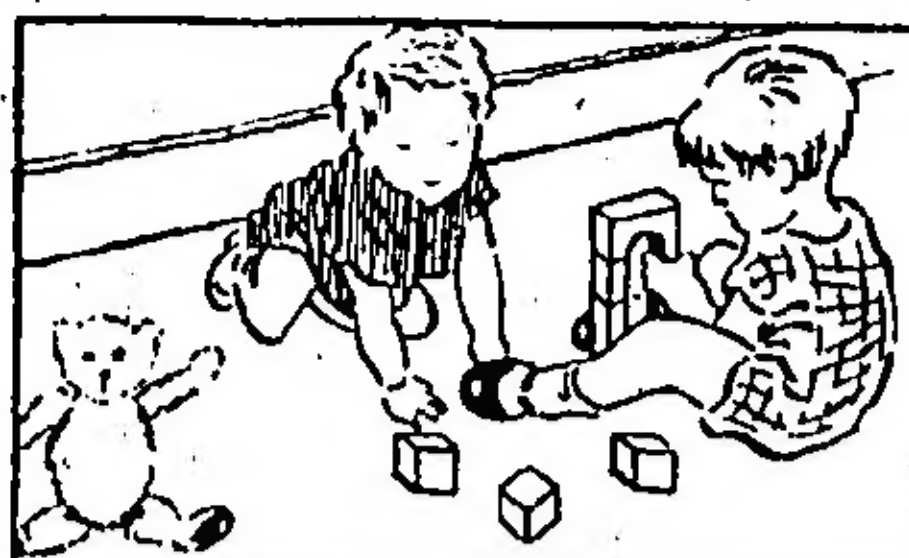
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TALES FOR CHILDREN

"MUMMY'S STORY"

"Mummy tell us a story, because it's Christmas time and we've read all our old books," said John and Priscilla, and Baby Mollie said, "Story," and went on playing. She didn't really call for stories, you see, for she was too young to understand them.

"What shall I tell you?", said Mummy as she settled herself on the couch.

"Tell us a Christmas story," they answered, cuddling beside her, and this is the story Mummy told them.

"Far away in the land of ice and snow, Father Christmas lives in his wonderful pine tree forest in his lovely house of shining white snow, and with him live all the pine tree fairies who help him all the year to sort out the parcels of toys that come from far over the sea from the Land of Broken Toys.

"Now the pine tree forest isn't just an ordinary forest, for each pine tree is really a Christmas tree, and on each branch there is a little candle burning and each of those candles has a name. There, is John, and of course Priscilla, and Baby Mollie, and Michael has a candle, and so has Neil, and every little boy and girl in the world, for there is a special little fairy who goes round to all the Christenings and sends a message to Father Christmas, and he lights a new candle each time and puts a name card on it.

"And let me tell you that it's from watching how the candles behave that he can tell how you children are behaving, for when you're very good the candles burn very brightly, but when you're naughty the candles are naughty too, and sputter and simply won't burn nicely.

"Pine tree fairies are not a bit like other fairies, they are working fairies, and only have a holiday at Christmas time for, as soon as Christmas is over they have to start all over again, sorting toys, tend-

THE THREE STATUES

An Indian king once received from another king a present of three statues that seemed alike in outward appearance, but, thinking there must be some hidden menace in so strange a gift, he consulted the wise men of his court, most of whom were unable to give any explanation.

One of the sages, however, would not give up the puzzle, and he studied the images very carefully, with the result that he at last discovered small holes in the ears of each. Taking a thin wire, he inserted it into each of them. In one statue the wire came out of the mouth, in another it went right through the head, and came out of the other ear, and in the third image the wire did not come out at all, however far it was pushed in.

The wise man, thereupon declared that he had discovered the meaning of the three images. The last one represented the finest type of man, who retained what went in at his ear; the second image represented the ordinary man, who let out at one ear what went in at the other; and the first image was the worst type of man, who, without hesitation, let out of his mouth all that entered by his ear.

ing the forest of pines, and keeping the candles burning. And they don't dress a bit like other fairies either, but wear little warm velvety dresses, very long with long sleeves all edged with soft white fur.

"On their golden heads they wear little, white, fur caps, and even their shoes are edged with fur, and their wings are very big so that when it is specially cold they can wrap them round their shoulders like a lively shining cloak."

"Oh, Mummy, what a lovely story," cried John and Priscilla, "do you think you could draw us a pine tree fairy?"

"I expect so," said Mummy, and she did.—Straits Times.

SOME RIDDLES

When is an iron bar like a bad coin?—When it is forged.

Why is 10,000 a bad number?—Because it is naughty (naughty).

What does an artist like to draw best of all?—His salary.

When is a bill like an old chair?—When it has been receipted (re-seated).

Why is the letter E the most important in the alphabet?—Because it comes before everybody and everything.

Which tree takes longer to grow than an oak?—The sloe (slow).

Why is a miserly man like a person with short memory?—Because he is always for getting.

What is in visible (invisible) yet never out of sight?—The letter I.

Why is pen-making a dishonest trade?—Because it makes people steel pens and assures them they do write.

What never closes its mouth?—The river.

WHO STOLE THE BIRD'S NEST?

To whiff! To whiff! To whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole four eggs I laid And the nice nest I made?

"Not I," said the cow. "Moo-oo! Such a thing I'd never do; I gave you a wisp of hay, But didn't take your nest away. Not I," said the cow. "Moo-oo! Such a thing I'd never do!"

To whiff! To whiff! To whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole four eggs I laid And the nice nest I made?

"Not I," said the sheep. "Oh, no! I won't treat a poor bird so! I gave wool the nest to line; But the nest was none of mine. Baa! Baa!" said the sheep. "Oh, no, I won't treat a poor bird so!"

"Chir-a-whirr! Chir-a-whirr!" All the birds make a stir. "Let us find out his name." And all cry, "For shame!"

"I won't rob a bird," Said little Mary Green. "I think I never heard Of anything so mean."

"It is very cruel, too," Said little Alice Neal. "I wonder if he knew How sad the bird would feel."

A little boy hung down his head And went and hid behind the bed. For he stole that pretty nest From poor little yellow breast, And he felt so full of shame He didn't like to tell his name.

GAMES & TRICKS

A CATCH

Some boys are so smart they can do everything—in their own minds. And it is a pleasure at times to call their attention to the fact that they may be puzzled even by simple tasks. Next time you are on such a mission try this effective catch. Place one match over another on the table and then challenge the clever boy to take up the top match, and put it under the other without moving the bottom match. Probably after pondering over the problem some time he will feel called upon to give it up. And when he does, quickly take the match—and put it under the table!

THE ORCHESTRA

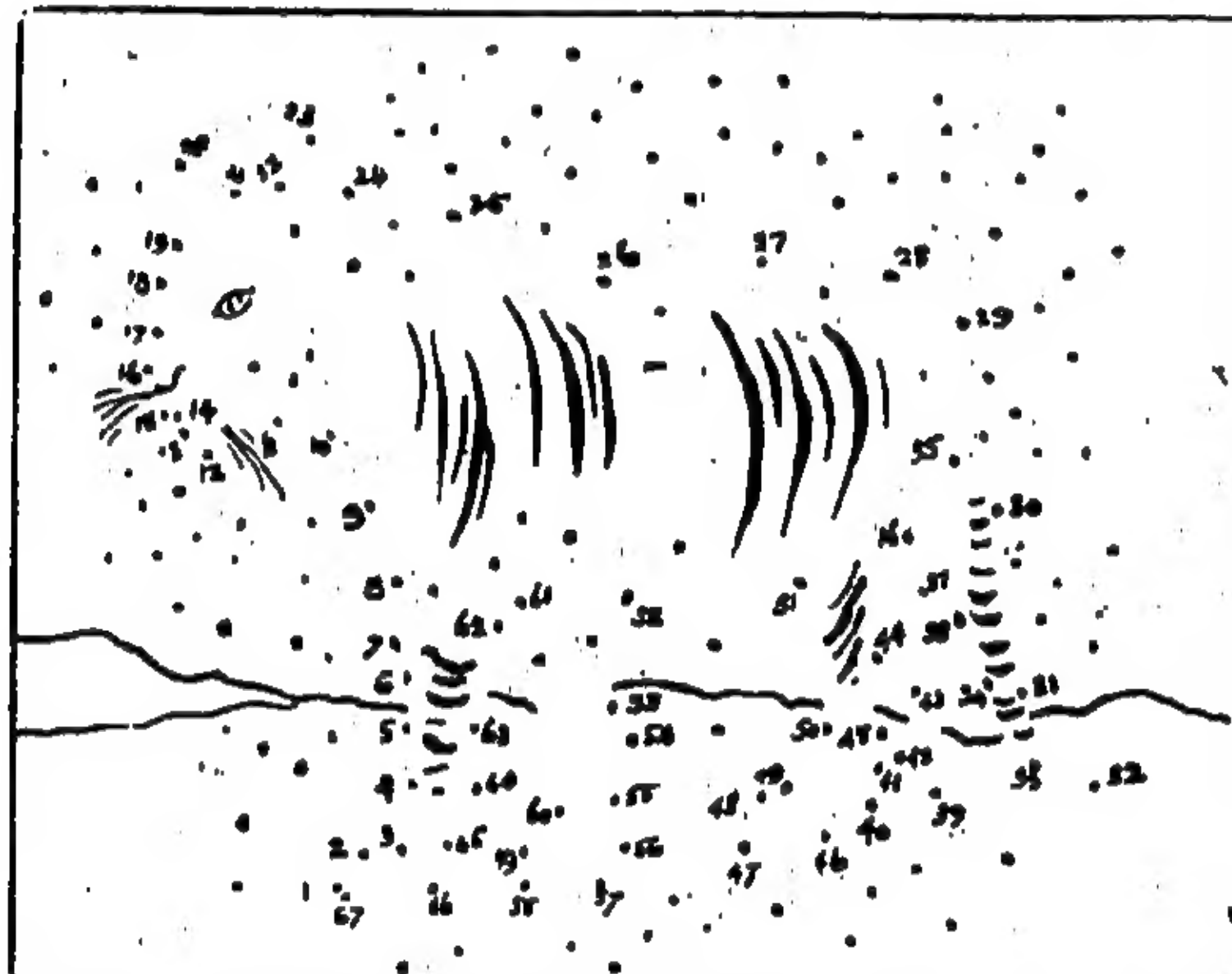
The little ones are always ready for a rollicking game, and the "Orchestra" will be loudly acclaimed. The players form in a large circle, and the leader assigns to each one an imaginary instrument he or she is to play in the band—imitating the performance both with hands and voice. The leader hums a lively air, the players joining in with their instruments.

The players should keep a sharp look-out on the leader, who, at intervals, will assume the work of one of the bandmen, and then the player to whom the instrument belongs takes up the imaginary baton and conducts until the leader gives up that particular instrument. Should any player fail to fill the conductor's place he or she must pay a forfeit. Of course, the more unexpectedly and rapidly the conductor changes the greater the success of the game.

"RUNNING THE GAUNTLET"

"Running the Gauntlet" means to run between punishment or criticism from all sides. The reference is to a form of punishment common among sailors. If a companion had disgraced himself, the crew, provided with gauntlets or ropes' ends, were drawn up in two rows facing each other, and the delinquent had to run between them, while every man dealt him in passing as severe a chastisement as he could. Schoolboys when inflicting this punishment generally make use of their towels, damped and knotted at one corner. A man who is criticised by the public is said to "run the gauntlet."

OUR ZOO PUZZLE



Our artist has just completed a picture of a well-known animal. To find out what it is, draw a straight line from the first numbered dot to the second numbered dot and so on in order, starting at No. 1 and finishing with No. 67.

LEPER BOYS & GIRLS IN SCOUT WORK

GREAT INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM SHOWN

A WONDERFUL CHANGE

Mr. Irving Hart, Deputy Scout Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America, writing in the Manila Bulletin, gives an interesting account of the work done with leper boys and girls. He says:—

Perhaps it is not of universal knowledge that there are six troops of Boy Scouts in the Philippine Islands, the members of which are all lepers.

And the leper girls also, not willing to be left in the background, have been organized into Camp Fire Girls, there now being three companies, and in the near future additional units will be established. Both of these organizations are now duly registered and have their respective charters from the National Headquarters in the United States.

Camp Fire Girls

It has been my rare privilege and pleasure to have taken a part in the formation of these leper boys and girls into troops and companies. Something like three years ago at the San Lazaro Hospital the first troop of Boy Scouts was organized. This troop is now officially known as Troop No. 121. Dressed in their new snappy uniforms—which were not furnished by the government—they began to get into action. The girls soon became interested in scouting and a number of them approached me to ask if it was not possible to organize a troop of Girl Scouts. I assured them that it was, but upon investigation I discovered that it was not feasible. I did learn that they could become Camp Fire Girls, and under the leadership of Miss Fe Almendrala, one of the patients, "Blooming Flowers, Camp Fire Girls" came into existence. Miss Almendrala being elected as the Guardian of the Fire. These two organizations, the Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls, were the first ever to be organized in which all of the members were leprosy lepers.

On the 15th of May, 1929, I was called upon to visit the San Lazaro Hospital. I was met by Miss Almendrala and the other girls. They were all very happy to see me and I was very happy to see them.



troops, now known officially as Troops No. 61, 113, and 249. Each of these troops have a capacity enrollment and it is very probable that in the near future other units will be started. It is also planned to establish a company—perhaps two companies of Camp Fire Girls—at that place.

In May, 1929, I again requested the transfer of Scoutmaster Paano—who had been so successful in Cullion—to the Eastern Visayas Treatment Station, at Cebu. I also

at the same time requested the transfer of the Guardian of the Fire of the Camp Fire Girls, Miss Almendrala. These transfers were duly approved by the director of health, but before leaving Manila for their new stations they were each honoured and decorated with appropriate gold medals in recognition of the successful and meritorious work which they had accomplished.

[To Be Continued.]



The "Old Scout's" Column.

The fracture of bone, A Talk on just like the cutting First Aid or tearing of the soft tissues, is accom-

panied by severe shock, and in most cases the part for the time being becomes functionless. Such is not always the case, because though the bone may have been fractured the ends may have been driven into one another in such a manner that it takes considerable force to unlock them. Thus it now and then happens that people have been able to walk or use an arm to perform certain functions, and the limb has later been found to be broken. When the bone broke and the fragments were driven into one another there might have been considerable deformity, and consequently it would never do to leave the limb in such an unsatisfactory position; and so the surgeon would be called upon to use sufficient force to disengage the ends before the limb was put by its correct position.

Absent from this A Compound fracture, known as a comminuted fracture, is one in which the bone is broken into three or more fragments. It is a very serious condition and requires immediate attention.

severity. In a compound fracture, in addition to the giving way of the bone, there is a wound communicating with the bone and extending on to the skin surface. Were there no such things as germs all might still be well, but these widely distributed forms of lowly life are often introduced into the wound and down to the bone, with disastrous results. Sometimes when a bone fractures, the fragments may be exceedingly sharp, and pierce the muscles and skin like the point of a needle. The bone thus projecting, though it be but momentarily, may become contaminated with filth in which millions of germs are living and multiplying. As the fragment is again withdrawn, beneath the skin surface these germs, which may be intensely poisonous, are carried deep into the wound; here, with all the "conditions" favourable for growth, they multiply prodigiously, and poison their host, even to the extent of slaying him.

It is for this reason that compound fractures are so dangerous and every effort must be made to prevent the entrance of germs into the wound. The fragments, if possible, should be kept in place and the wound should be covered with a sterile dressing.

always the risk of wounding important structures, such as nerves, arteries, or veins, if manipulations are carried out by unskilled persons. If it is found absolutely essential to bring a bone back into correct line before skilled help can be obtained, it is necessary that the upper part should be immobilised, and the lower pulled steadily away from the upper, using the utmost gentleness and avoiding all jerky movement. In this manner the two portions of a long bone may be brought into correct line without the sharp-pointed ends sticking into the surrounding tissues. It will be found practically impossible to draw out the limb of a powerful man to correspond exactly with its uninjured fellow. The muscle contractions of which one has spoken will tend to draw the fragments and either shorten them or throw them out of alignment.

One of the main factors in preventing repair without deformity is the pull of the muscles attached to the two parts of the fractured bone. All muscles are more or less in a state of slight tension, and when a fracture occurs the muscles surrounding the injured part tend to shorten and become tense, thereby helping to keep the injured part at rest. This phenomenon can well be seen in a case of peritonitis. The intense pain which the acute inflammation within the abdominal cavity is to some extent mitigated by the immobility which the rigidly contracted muscles of the abdominal wall afford. So Nature has her own way of assisting in the process of repair, but her efforts must be guided by the intelligence of the surgeon, who overcomes these erroneous contractions, attaching weights to the limb and by the force of gravity, overcoming and tiring the muscles, and while producing immobility in just the degree may be permitted the broken fragments to bone to bone and proper alignment to be maintained.

LOCAL GIRL GUIDES' ACTIVITIES

INTERESTING NOTES FROM PACK AND COMPANY

WINNING THE TOTEM

(Continued from Last Week.)

(2nd Kowloon Pack) Meetings of the Pack for the term began in the middle of September 1929, and for four weeks meetings were run by the two Tawny Owls, Misses I. Gittins and P. Anderson; as the Brown Owl, Mrs. Doyle was away on Holiday.

In October the Pack lost Tawny Owl, Miss Gittins, who left to join the School Guides as their Lieutenant, carrying with her the best wishes of the Pack. Since then the Pack has had only one Tawny Owl. It was with much regret that in March, 1929, we had to lose the services of our Brown Owl. The splendid work she has done has carried the Pack to the great success of winning the Totem. Mrs. Doyle had wonderful patience and interest in the Pack, and the Pack misses her very much. Miss D. Christian was enrolled as Brown Owl and the work was carried on as before without a hitch.

The attendance at all meetings was excellent and all members were energetic and keen. The work carried through during the term consisted chiefly of 2nd Class tests and preparations for the Brownie Competition in December.

On November 28 the Pack—twenty eight in number—turned out in full force at Government House for the Annual Competition. The work they had done during the year was fully proven when they carried off the Totem—the most treasured possession of any Pack.

This success had a wonderful effect on the Brownies and after that week they worked even harder and it is hoped that they will again retain the possession of the Totem. There was never a dull moment during all meetings, and every member worked and played with the highest of spirits.

The traditional Brownie Picnic was held on June 25, which also happened to be the birthday of the Brown Owl. We went to Stonecutter's Island, as arranged by Brown Owl and there we had a most delightful afternoon. The spread provided by our generous Brown Owl was excellent and the birthday cake was delicious. We thank her for her hospitality and the many gifts she has given us.

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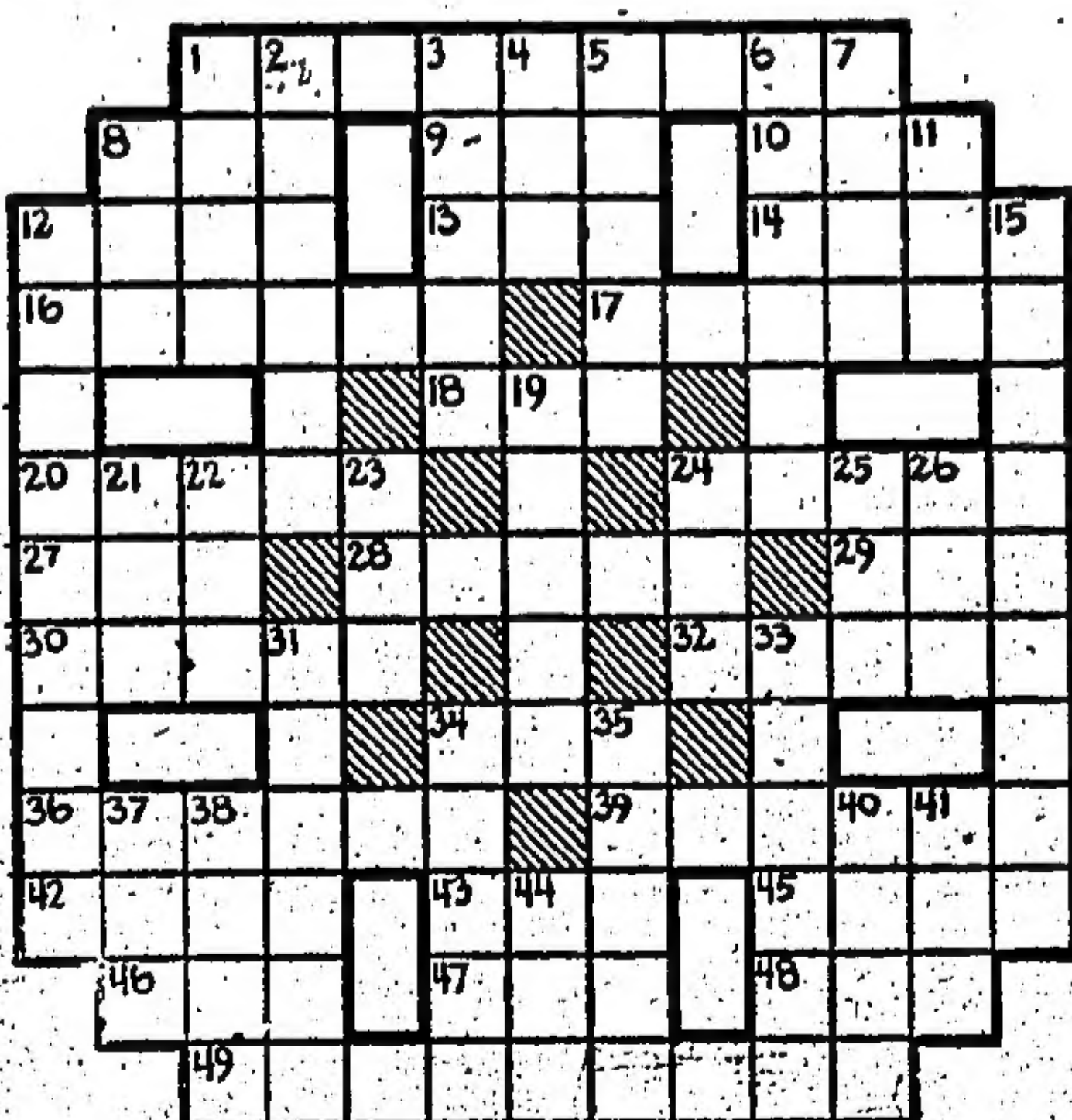
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert and
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-A general who com-
mands a brigade
3-Ocean
5-An Egyptian house-
hold god
10-Roe (boat)
12-Transmit
13-Masculine name
14-Feminine name
16-Parting to the
middle
17-Squandered
18-To take leave
(abbr.)
20-Land or town at
sea
24-Submarine
25-Submarine
26-Submarine
27-Submarine
28-Submarine
29-Submarine
30-Submarine

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

36-A rope for fath-
ering animals
38-A group of the
heath family
43-Acute
45-Before
46-Compensate
48-A word place of
nature
49-Rainbow
50-Submarine
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VERTICAL (Cont.)

5-Comprehend
11-Point of sampan
(abbr.)
12-Mild group
15-A leading athlete
16-A dance
21-Over (verb)
22-Grassy meadow
23-To rest
24-Skill
25-To be in debt
26-Food made from
eggs
27-Arrange
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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"MAIL" REVIEWS

Pagodas And Palaces

["Porcelain Pagodas and Palaces
of Jade," by A. E. Grantham;
Methuen & Co., 15/- net.]

This book has several things to
commend it. It is a handsome
volume, beautifully bound, well
printed and excellently illustrated.
Most important of all it is ex-
ceedingly well written and ought
to prove as fascinating to the or-
dinary reader as to the connois-
seur in ivory, porcelain or jade.

It gives in compact form and
straightforward description such
information as one usually has to
gather piecemeal from encyclo-
paedias and other books of refer-
ence. In these two hundred
pages a vast field is covered—
from the dim prehistoric times of
those almost mythical emperors
down to modern times—and we
have lessons on and news about
pottery, glaze, porcelain, wood,
bronze, ivory, jade, lacquer, glass,
enamel, and silk, surely compre-
hensive enough for most.

The historical and psychological
background governing the develop-
ment of these crafts in China is
skillfully and sympathetically de-
scribed. Two things are evident,
that the author is a Sinologue of
no mean order and that this book
was to him a labour of love.

Not the least arresting feature
of this volume are the pungent
remarks about the first Europeans
who, with their galleons, firearms,
greed, and barbarism, swooped
down like a swarm of vultures on
the astonished easy going East.

These remarks ought to bring a
blush to the faces of all fools
who talk about civilizing the East.
The final chapter, "The Work-
ers behind the Work and Forces
Beyond" is a valuable piece of
writing which should be read and
re-read by all who are interested
in China and the Chinese.

THRILLING STORY OF EGYPT

["The Spine," by Hugh Imber;
Hodder and Stoughton, 7/6
net.]

"The Spine" is a thriller from
the first page to the last and a
book that will especially appeal
to men as it is without even one
line of love making or sentiment-
ality. The story is based on a
campaign by the Egyptians to de-
stroy Britain's power in Egypt.
They conduct a series of meaning-
less murders in Cairo while their
real object is to destroy the Suez
Canal, and thus break the spine
of the British Empire. All at-
tempts to discover the plotters
fail until certain clues come into
the hands of a young British offi-
cer, the principal character in the
story. He follows them up and
down the Suez Canal from Port
Said to Suez and finally into
Palestine where he solves the
riddle. A story that is well worth
reading and will hold you spell-
bound to the last page.

STOPPING WAR

["The Man Who Could Stop War,"
by William Penmare; Hodder
and Stoughton, 7/6]

Howard Bruton, a brilliant
chemist, invents a new and ex-
tremely powerful explosive which
he offers to the British Govern-
ment through the medium of his
uncle, Sir John Bruton, His
Majesty's Secretary of State for
War. The offer is refused on the
ground that present day ten-
dencies lead towards disarmament,
and not the production of
new horrors. Sir John suggests
that Howard turns his activities
towards the commercial side and
spends a long holiday abroad.

Sir John's private secretary sug-
gests Provence and we next meet
Howard Bruton driving Matilda,
his old motor car, into that de-
lightful part of France. His an-
tique vehicle attracts the atten-
tion of Henry T. Wren, an Ameri-
can motor car king and his young
daughter Jenny. Wren is a pacifist
and with the advice of his secre-
tary, Orloff decides that Bruton's
invention must be acquired by
America in order to stop war.

Orloff's motives are not so ideal-
istic and he wishes to obtain the
formula in order that his country
(Russia) may reap the benefits.

Then Bruton's adventures be-
gin and he has a terrible time,
before as one expects matters are
cleared up satisfactorily.

Mr. Penmare has written a
thriller which sustains the re-
putation he made with "The
Black Swan" and "The Scorpion,"
and we hope for more.

MANY THRILLS

["The Muster of the Vultures,"
by Gerard Fairlie; Hodder
and Stoughton, 7/6.]

Mr. Gerard Fairlie has made a
great name for himself in the
world of thrillers, but it is doubt-
ful if he has ever packed so many
thrills into one book as he has
done in this his latest. Perhaps
he has made a mistake in mak-
ing his fare too rich, because it
means that in the readers' attempt
to get to the end much of the
plot is missed, but as the book is
well worth a second reading that
doesn't matter very much.

The Vultures are criminals, the
master minds of the underworld
led by one man, and dedicated
to the upsetting of law and order.
Sir William Beandye, Chief of
Scotland Yard with the great in-
fluence of his police system is
baffled, and it is left for Robin
Murdoch, and his French friend
Deschamps, to solve the mysteries.
How they do it is admirably told,
and once the reader begins the
story it is doubtful if it will be
put down until Robin asks Louella
to marry him.

NOVEL FOR WOMEN

["Females," by Jean Dewray;
Hodder and Stoughton, 7/6.]

Described as a novel for Women
about Women the title is perhaps
the most striking part because it
means the whole book. Some may
object to the use of the word but
as the majority of the characters
are nothing but Females, it was
a brilliant idea to call the book
by that name.

Lynnie Martan is one of a
large number of daughters whose
lives are wasted by the influence
of a Victorian father. The old
saying "When father says turn
we all turn" describes the Martan
family and the fight against this
unnatural position is written in a
masterly manner. The family
practically breaks up as a result
of the domestic tyranny and the
life of several of the sisters is
described. The eldest sister
Lettie appears as a dragon pre-
venting Lynnie from making her
own way in the world but an ac-
cident causes the final break and
Lynnie's happiness becomes assur-
ed.

The book might be called the
history of an unfortunate family,
and as such becomes monotonous
in parts, but when one considers
the freedom of the modern miss it
provides a powerful example of the
fight females have had for emanci-
pation.

INTERPORT MATCHES

(Continued from page 13.)

Referee.—W. G. White.
Linesmen.—F. S. Bridges and
H. F. Marshall.

RUGBY MATCH

Shanghai Scores the Solitary
Goal

The interport Rugby match be-
tween Hong Kong and Shanghai,
played at the Canidrome on Friday,
was a disappointing affair. The
standard of play was very poor and
the only score came in the last few
seconds of the game, when Meathrel
managed to get his hand to the ball
in a scramble on the Hong Kong
line. The try was converted by a
magnificent kick taken by Hubbard
from near the touch line and im-
mediately the whistle went for no
side, the final score accordingly be-
ing:—Shanghai, 5 points (one
goal); Hong Kong nil.

In conversation with players
after the match, one gathered that
the partially rubbed out Soccer lines
were a source of great annoyance
to players and referee alike and
it is extremely unfortunate that the
ground could not have been lined
out properly. For instance, there
were two lines near one goal post,
about two feet apart and this caused
much confusion. Indeed, it was said
by an impartial observer that at
least three Hong Kong players
could have touched down at the
time when Shanghai scored, but
were apparently of the opinion that
the ball was not over the line. It

actually was over the line but not
over the partially rubbed out
Soccer line.

The teams lined up as follows:—
Hong Kong.—R. J. Grieve; L.
Goldman, M. D. Scott; G.H.W.
Churchill, G. P. Lammer; J. L.
Bonnar, J. A. Ross; R. I. Cherrill,
A. D. Suttill, W. F. Peers, E. R.
West, F. R. Burch, B. P. Massey
(captain), Lt. W. B. Maxwell, and
E. B. Gammell.
Shanghai.—J. C. Taylor; G. S.
McGill, A. Crawford, J. A. Peach,
I. E. McGilchrist, E. C. Hubbard,
W. D. Neil; B. Browning, A. J.
Kane (captain), R. D. K. Silby,
J. G. B. Dewar, D. McL. Wheeler,
G. S. Chambers, L. F. Payne, and
W. R. Meathrel.

Referee.—Mr. E. S. Barraclough.

The Game
Hong Kong kicked off facing the
number board and and Hubbard
found touch. From the line-out, the
forwards bunched and Shanghai
heeled. Neil got the ball back in
good style to Hubbard, who found
touch. Mid-field play continued,
with nothing of note. The passing
on both sides was extremely poor,
being of the lobbing type. In most
instances while there was much
fumbling and dropping the ball.
The Hong Kong three-quarters at
last got away, but Lammer was
tackled by Taylor. Shanghai, as a
team, were not tackling low and
there was some breaking through
by the Hong Kong backs on this
account, but they were not really
dangerous at any time. Hubbard
was playing a good game for Shang-
hai and repeatedly put his three-
quarters in motion, but nothing
came of the movements. There was
much scrappy play, with an abun-
dance of knocking on and mealee.

Shanghai pressed and play was
taken to near the Hong Kong line
and a series of scrums ended in the
Hong Kong full-back clearing with
a quick kick to touch. The Shang-
hai forwards were working very
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way line where it continued until
half-time.

Half-time.—Hong Kong, nil;
Shanghai, nil.

The Second Half
This was a repetition of the first
half, with much scrumming and
mealee. Shanghai, however, attack-
ed in more determined style and
Wheeler led a good forward rush
which was stopped by fearless fall-
ing on the ball by Grieve, the Hong
Kong full-back. There were several
penalties given against both sides
for feet up in the scrum, but all
efforts to convert them failed, al-
though Goldman missed by inches
on one occasion when taking a kick
near the Shanghai 25 and far out.

Hubbard was the best man on the
field and his kicking was excellent,
but his passes to his three were
not turned to advantage. He was
ably partnered by Neil, who also
played of a good game, putting in
heaps of hard work and also being
to the fore in all movements. Mc-
Gill had little chance to do any-
thing and also suffered an injury
to his left arm early in the game
and obviously was in great pain.
Towards the end of the game, Hong
Kong pressed and for ten minutes
or so penned Shanghai into their
own 25. Then Shanghai broke away
and a forward rush which com-
menced near the half-way line en-
ded in the Hong Kong full-back
finding touch.

The score came in the last minute.
Several scrums near the Hong
Kong line ended in mealee and in
the last of these Meathrel managed
to get his hand to the ball as it
rolled over the line near the corner
flag. Hubbard converted with a
splendid kick. It was a very poor
game to watch, with much scrappy
play. There was not one really
polished movement in the whole of
the game.

Full time.—Shanghai, 5 points
(one goal); Hong Kong nil.
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KONGMOON MAYOR DEPARTS

RECEPTION BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

STEAMER AGROUND

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.

Mr. Im Pok-kow, the Mayor of Kongmoon city, has departed and his place has been taken by Mr. Leung Cho-ko. A great reception was given to Mr. Im by the Chamber of Commerce and more than 200 representatives of various organisations gave him a tumultuous send-off from a fleet of launches from which firecrackers were discharged incessantly.

Mr. Li Hoi-wan has succeeded Mr. Chung Hi-chek as Magistrate of the Toyshan district. Mr. Wong Wai-yuk, Magistrate of Sanwui, has not been permitted to resign.

The a.s. San Nam Hoi, from Hong Kong, has been aground in this part of the West River delta. After China New Year, the Hong Kong steamboats Paul Beau and Charles Hardouin ceased coming here, so that the number of boats between the two ports has been reduced to two each day. Accordingly, passage money has been raised to its maximum.

Chinese New Year

In spite of Government prohibition, Chinese New Year was celebrated here in time-honoured fashion. There was one exception, namely, the Sunning Railway worked as usual instead of enjoying a holiday.

Cargo junks, especially those in the valuable fruit trade, have been held up of late, but passenger town boats have been maintained as usual, excepting of course, for the New Year holidays.

Telephone communication between Pakkai and Kongmoon has now been established.

The bund at Kongmoon and the maloo (road) to Pakkai, including the bridges, have been completed with the exception of the surface paving.

Objection has been taken to the Native Customs building, which is now considered an obstruction following constructional changes all round—as it is in the way of the road. People of the Sze Yip have petitioned to Nanking for its removal and word has been received that negotiations are being made with the Inspector-General of Customs.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

(Continued from Page 1.)

proposition in view of their size and cost and of the development of efficiency of air and submarine attack.

Aircraft Carriers

The Government would further limit the tonnage and the gun calibre of aircraft carriers, and suggested that ships of 10,000 tons and under should be included in the total tonnage of this category if used as aircraft carriers.

It proposes the reduction of the total aircraft tonnage for the British and United States Navies from 135,000 tons and an adjustment of the Treaty to, say, 100,000 tons and, an adjustment of that assigned to other nations in the Washington Treaty ratios.

It further proposes that the maximum size of aircraft carriers should be reduced to 25,000 tons, and that their age be 26 years instead of 20.

Empire and Cruisers

Regarding cruisers, the memorandum recalls that it was assumed during the recent British-American conversations that they should be grouped in one category which, in turn, should be subdivided into cruisers carrying 8-inch guns and cruisers carrying 6-inch guns and under.

It was also assumed during the negotiations that the requirements of the British Commonwealth would be 339,000 tons, divided into 50 cruisers. A final arrangement will be governed by the decision of the conference regarding the limitation in size of units.

The British Government proposes that the existing tonnage limit of 8-inch cruisers should remain at 10,000 tons, and that there should be a tonnage limit for smaller vessels at about 6,000 or 7,000 tons.

It suggests that only a fixed proportion in the latter class should be built up to that limit, and that the life of cruisers should be 20 years.

Limit for Destroyers

In regard to destroyers, the Government proposes that the limit assigned should be for leaders 1,350 tons, and for destroyers 1,500 tons, with 3-inch guns maximum for both classes.

The present British building programme of destroyers is for 200,000 tons ultimately, but this can be reduced if the submarine programmes of other Powers are reduced, for it is obvious that the size and total tonnage of destroyers must largely depend upon the size and total tonnage of submarines.

Submarines To Go?

The Government proposes the abolition of submarine. Its experts feel that the argument that the submarine is an arm solely of defence was destroyed by the experience of the late War, and that in war conditions it is an arm of attack. If abolition cannot

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£3,500 Renumeration

The Ministry will pay to the Sino-British Corporation a sum of £3,500 annually as renumeration for handling the Railway bonds, but no commission will be further paid for purchasing materials.

It is learned that the Ministry of Railways is negotiating a loan of £20,000,000 with the financiers in London for the completion of the Tung-cheng, Ching-yang and Chushao Railways, subject to the conditions of 5 per cent. commission on all materials purchased by the financiers.—Canton News Agency.

be agreed upon the British Government will put forward proposals limiting submarines rigidly to defence requirements.

In any case, it will press for the limitation of the submarine to lowest possible limit, and it proposes to urge the revival of the agreement signed at Washington in 1922, but not ratified by all signatory Powers, which would regulate in the interests of humanity the use of submarines against merchant ships.

In regard to auxiliary vessels not strictly entered into the fleet strengths the Government proposes that they should be specified, and that each Government should publish yearly lists of vessels of this class in commission as laid down.

Week-End Study

The British memorandum and the American proposals will be studied by the delegation during the week-end.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who had a conversation with Mr. H. L. Stimson (U.S.A.) this morning is going to Chequers, where to-morrow he will entertain the members of the Italian delegation at luncheon.

The Naval experts attending the conference will visit Chequers during the afternoon.

No official meetings have been arranged before Monday, when the First Committee resumes consideration of alternative methods of ascertaining naval tonnage.—British Wireless Service.

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